

ilium '00

a great
cloud
of witnesses

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Eric Davis

a great cloud of witnesses

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photos by Eric Davis and Havilah Pauley

opening

jay kesler president



therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

Each year an unstated tradition is fulfilled. President Jay Kesler presents a message, in which A Great Cloud of Witnesses, taken from Heb. 12:1, is his topic. He often speaks of Grace Olson and Don Odle. Of Thaddeus Reade and John Wengatz. These are the people who Jay claims have made an impressionable mark on Taylor, who have helped this university to become what it now is. This year, the Taylor community would like to add a new name to that roster—the name of he who originated the list, Jay Kesler.

Ending a 15-year reign as Taylor's guiding force, Kesler will put aside his president's hat in exchange for a chancellor's one. In honor of that transition, we're taking a look at many residing in Taylor's great cloud. Since their impact has been so pivotal in the history of Taylor, and with the beginning of a new century

of Taylor education, a sense of nostalgia is incorporated with the fact that this year we entered the 21st century.

With that, we saw the change of 80s Night into 90s. The final Christmas with Jay was held. And Jay was, rightly, a part of Nostalgia Night this year. Plus, the 1996 freshman class, ushered into Taylor as the class entering during the sesquicentennial celebration, will leave with Jay still at its helm as it becomes the class of 2000.

Many of us now plan to leave and return to a Taylor of completed Kesler dreams. With activities and visual arts centers still to come, the campus will change into a place of memories and of future progresses simultaneously. In this year's Great Cloud chapel, President Kesler said, "I live in the consciousness of folks buildings have been named for."

Jay, we live in the consciousness of you.

student life

A collage of various student life scenes, including a classroom, a dorm room, and a social gathering.

A photograph showing a group of approximately 15-20 young adults, mostly men, sitting in wooden bleachers. They are dressed in casual attire like t-shirts, jeans, and caps. Many are holding dark-colored cans, likely beer, in their hands. The scene appears to be at a social gathering or event.

Student life at Taylor is built
around many on-campus
events. On October 7, cur-
rent students and alumni
took a break on the
Thursday evening before
Homecoming to attend
Alumni '99.

(photo by Eric Davis)

What do you like most about chapel?

"I enjoy the praise a lot, especially when Dr. Farmer leads it."

—Micah Barcalow,
sophomore

"Just realizing that there are generally brothers and sisters there who love you and love God."

—Tiffany Bell,
senior

"I like the musical worship."

—Betsy Marcotte,
junior

"Usually the benediction."

—Christopher Palmer,
sophomore

m, w, f @ 10



Jim Garringer



As part of the "Post War Generation," Milo A. Rediger became one of the most influential people at Taylor University. Over five decades, Rediger held various roles, including instructor of philosophy and religion, dean of students, academic dean and president.

Prior to becoming the 24th president of Taylor

in 1965, Rediger had already exerted great influence. As a way of improving the school, he wanted to develop the academic program. While he was a student at Taylor, Rediger had always felt as if students did not feel comfortable raising certain questions, nor did he believe professors were willing to discuss issues that challenged Christianity. After becoming president, he tried to create an environment where "all truth is God's truth, and the Christian does not fear it—not is he afraid of where it will lead him."

After World War II, Rediger helped Taylor recoup from the aftermath of the war. He was very dedicated to creating a type of environment where students and faculty could feel both academically and spiritually challenged.

a great
of witnesses

milo rediger

by Brenda Vergara

...people will make time to worship, because there's that hunger and that thirst.
—Cindy Norman, senior

a.m.



The following are interviews with campus pastor assistants Cindy Norman and Chad Wilt, both seniors. The other two assistants are Missy Chamberliss and Andrew Draper, also seniors.

ilium: In your opinion, what are the highlights from chapel this year?

Cindy: Working with a new campus pastor and working with the variety of worship team people. Also, being accessible and being a mediator for the student body.

Chad: The spirit and enthusiasm that Dr. Farmer has brought with his sense of refreshment.

ilium: How is this year's chapel program different from other years?

Cindy: There is a difference. I don't know how I can express it in words, though. Maybe the students take more ownership this year.

ilium: How have the Sunday night services affected the Taylor community?

Cindy: I think it has been a huge success, which I was not anticipating. It is so much more accessible to the students. We weren't sure if people would come, but we found that people will make time to worship, because there's that hunger and that thirst.

Chad: I think it's given them a greater sense of community.

Sunday morning services were kind of a show, like trying to be church.

ilium: What was your personal highlight of the year, being a campus pastor assistant?

Chad: Being taken out of my comfort zone, but it's been good for me to gain a different perspective of worship. I've learned a lot about other people.

by Kendra Beutler



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— a touching testimony —

(above) David J. Gyertson shares his life story with the members of the Taylor community as he addresses them for the first time on March 13. Gyertson was chosen to follow Jay Kesler as president.

singing

Freshmen Nicole Schulz, Kerry Peifer and Rachel Rosencrance clap along with the music in chapel on March 22. Many students mentioned "worship" as their favorite part of chapel.

parents' weekend

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discussing the day

Distracting each other from the football game, Mike Poorman and his mother, Anita, share a happy moment.



Eric Davis

stilling the heart

After the Saturday morning devotional service, this group gathersd for prayer outside the chapel.

Eric Davis



supporting the determination

Owners of their own Ace Hardware store, Kyle Martin's parents, Larry and Gloria, spend part of their visit obeying their son's orders at his entrepreneurial venture, The Jumping Bean. His mother jests, "Yeah, he's really getting a kick out of this, telling us what to do. But he'll pay us back over the holidays by helping out at our store."

capturing the moment

Matt Blandin's father, Ken, proudly displays his son's number jersey and a photo pin on his Taylor cap. Here, he videotapes the winning football game his son was a part of.



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refueling the relationships

Billy Murray's parents brought his girlfriend along for Parents' Weekend to visit with their son. Pictured here are Billy's mom, Denise, his girlfriend, Allison, Billy and his father, Bill.

"The longer I have been away from home, the more I appreciate my parents, and getting to spend time with them is fun," says junior Tara Hodapp, whose parents came from Pewaukee, Wisconsin, to visit her.

Although Tara's parents have come for Parents' Weekend all three of her years at Taylor, this year they brought one of her brothers along — to visit Butler University in Indianapolis.

So, Tara really treasured the time when her parents were on campus for the collage concert, the Sunday morning worship service and to meet her professors. Tara says, "It was really good to have them meet my profs. So, now they can know who I'm talking about when I call home."

Parents' Weekend, October 29-31, drew hundreds of parents to Taylor's campus to experience a variety of activities put on by the university. The first event was the collage concert, during which individual faculty and students and music department groups, such as Gospel Choir, University Chorus and the jazz band, performed.

Saturday events began for some families at a 7:30 a.m. breakfast which was followed by devotions led by Dean of Chapel Richard Allen Farmer at 9 a.m. The rest of the day was open for visits with professors, trips to the general store, open house in dorms and a football game against Olivet Nazarene.

That night, there was a Harvest Buffet banquet and a concert with Ken Medema. Jay Kesler spoke at two Sunday morning worship services. The early service was contemporary and the late was traditional. Taylor Sounds and the chorale performed during the second. And a brunch signified the end of the weekend and sent parents on their ways home.

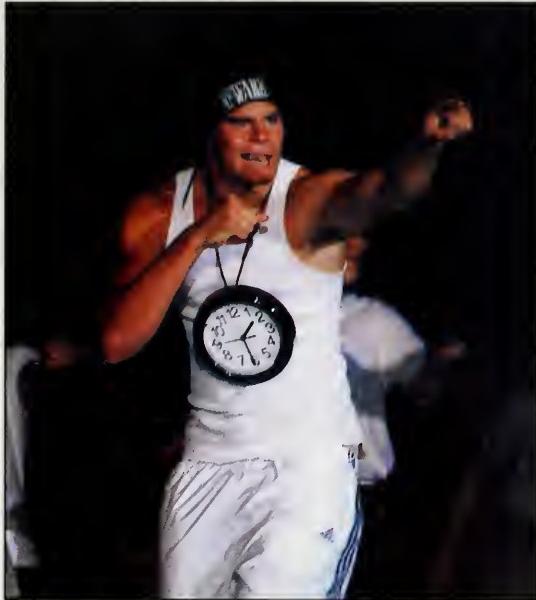
Summing up the weekend's importance, Tara says, "I think that I've really become friends with my parents since I've been at Taylor, and I realize how important our relationship is to me."

by Jessica Barnes

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—Tara Hodapp**

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—Jerod Cornelius

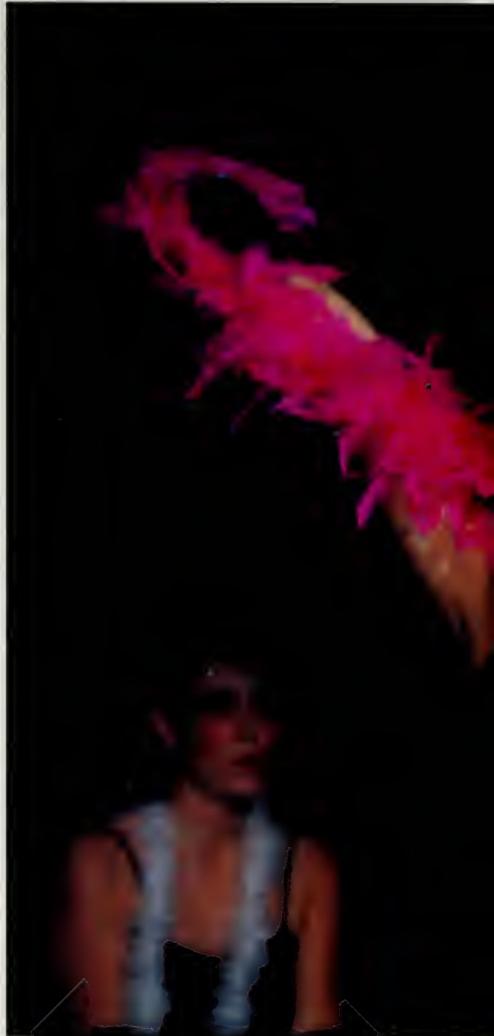


Havilah Pauley

jammin'

Senior Justin Heth performed with Airband groups, as well as a cast member of "The Real World Upland." Here, he struts his stuff with Second East Olson.

Havilah Pauley



showin' off

Junior Kim Shumaker solos for Third East Olson's performance of Madonna's "Material Girl."

kickin'

First East Wengatz gets a kick line going to win the hearts of the judges, leading to their third place win. Pictured are Jordan Bradish, Robert Cosgrove, Rob Morris, John Clark and Matt Oquist.



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the real world

"The Real World Upland" premiered on Taylor's campus at 8:15 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 7. The Airband theme was carried out the entire night with clips of Taylor student "Real World" stars "getting [more] real" as the show progressed. Jerod Cornelius, president of Interclass Council, which puts on the annual event, talks about the inception of "The Real World" idea saying, "We just kinda brainstormed a bunch of ideas. Then someone mentioned 'The Real World,' and we just ran with it from there. We thought it'd be fun to do that. It'd also be easy to apply to campus."

And so they did. But pulling it all together wasn't as easy as the presentation of it looked. Cornelius describes this saying, "We had four or five different committees in charge of different aspects of Airband — the longest being the video aspect of it. We were assisted in the process by TCS [Taylor Cable System] with many hours of editing." But when it came down to it, Cornelius says, "I think it went over pretty well. I've gotten positive feedback from most people. And I think people loved the video aspect of it."

About the competition segment of the night, the winning groups of the lip syncing/dancing contest included First East Wengatz in third place, performing "Madame Librarian" from the Music Man. The Backstreet Boys' group won second performing a combination of "Back Street's Back" and "It's Gotta be You." But the Upland Community Dance Troop drew in the first-place votes.

The all senior UCDT, consisting of current Third West Wengatz guys and off-campus girls formerly residing on Third East Olson, performed "Praise You." The group consisted of Justin Berger, Eric Davis, Lora Erickson, Kevin Flaherty, Wes Gaines, Phil Gallagher, Lindsay Marcy, Josh

McMullen, Ben Miller, Mark Mohrlang, Cindy Norman, Jayson Palm, Ruth Seward, Tiffany Sutton, Sarah West, Stephanie White and Leslie Wood.

The night ended with a farewell song from Roger Rayburn and a presentation to him for his three-and-a-half years of service to Taylor in the roles of campus safety officer and, most recently, sound engineer.

— by Jessica Barnes —

waitin'

Upland Community Dance Troop members wait in the balcony before finding out that they are the '99 Airband winners. Pictured are Jayson Palm, Sarah West, Stephanie White, Cindy Norman and Ruth Seward.



two guys, a couch & a remote control

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a little bit of laziness

Senior Chuck Hackney and junior Pete Von Tobel flip through the channels of the 90s Night TV. From their television, we saw episodes of some of the decade's biggest shows: "Seinfeld," "The Simpsons" and "ER."



a little bit of angst

Senior Kevin Flaherty, lead singer of the Missionaries of Angst, entertains a packed-out crowd. The group sang its original song, "Held Down in the 'Burbs," during its 90s Night debut.



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a little bit of smoke

Freshman John Peebles, a member of the Taylor band, Faded Edge, plays Pearl Jam's "Not For You" amid a cloud of smoke and lights.



Eric Davis



Eric Davis

— a little bit of country —

Playing his drum is just half of senior Ryan James' responsibility in performing the John Denver song "Country Roads." He spent the rest of his time on stage scratching his bare chest and amusing onlookers.

— a little bit of — love

Sophomore Jeremy Heavey, as Frank Sinatra, makes sophomore Brooke Varwig melt when he goes solo during their rendition of "The Way You Look Tonight."



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— a little bit of — billy joel

Adam Davis gets into his performance at Nostalgia Night. Singing with Davis were Jason Hillier, Josh Vida and Craig Jagers. The group's presentation of "For the Longest Time" was one of the crowd's favorites.

hullo, my name is jay, jay kesler

chasing the clouds away

homecoming 1999

An estimated 2,500 alumni and friends returned to Taylor for this year's Homecoming, Oct. 8-10. Even though the weather was rainy and temperatures were chilly, Marty Songer, director of alumni relations, says, "It was a great weekend."

Songer adds, "Despite the crummy weather, the Taylor spirit just came through . . . people were out pushing their kids in strollers in the rain. They found ways to connect with each other."

The alumni brunch was the highlight of the weekend, according to Songer. She enjoyed seeing "the spirits of those who were given awards and how God is working in their lives."

The student co-chairs for the event were seniors Angie Reed and Joel Gates. Songer says, "We had so much fun working together."

For the Homecoming football game, Taylor played St. Xavier College. The bad weather did not stop the crowds from coming, and Taylor beat St. Xavier, 7-3.

by Kendra Beutler

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splash,
splash

The Trojans play in the mud and rain. It sprinkled sporadically throughout the Homecoming game, but Taylor fought the weather conditions and St. Xavier College, achieving a 7-3 win.

Eric Davis



Andrew Davis &
Samantha Schley



Eric Davis

Joel Michels &
Tamara Leatherby



Eric Davis

— King & queen —

Seniors Eric Davis and Cindy Norman are named Homecoming king and queen.

— rainy day —

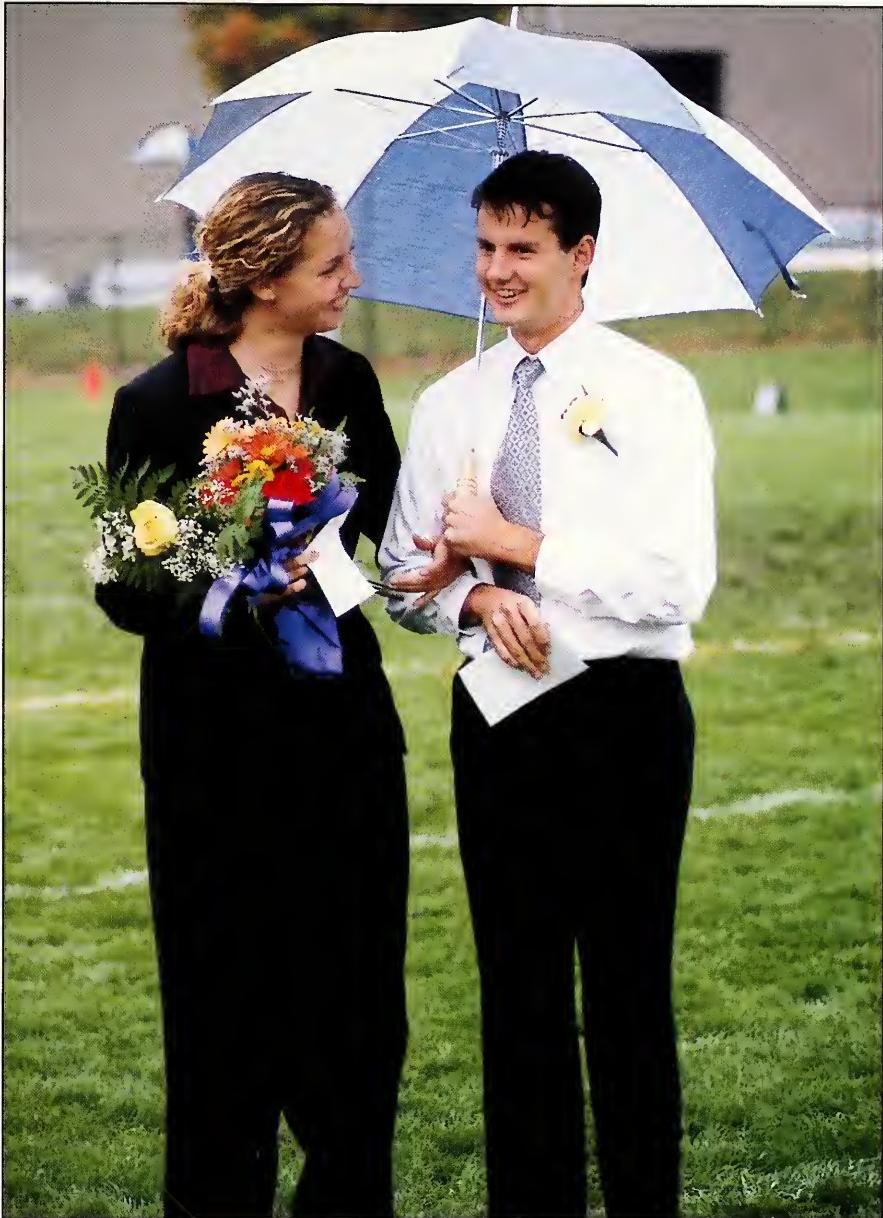
(below) The crowd watches the game under ample rain gear. Despite the drizzle, the stands were full of loyal fans.



Andrew Wolgemuth
& Twila Jones



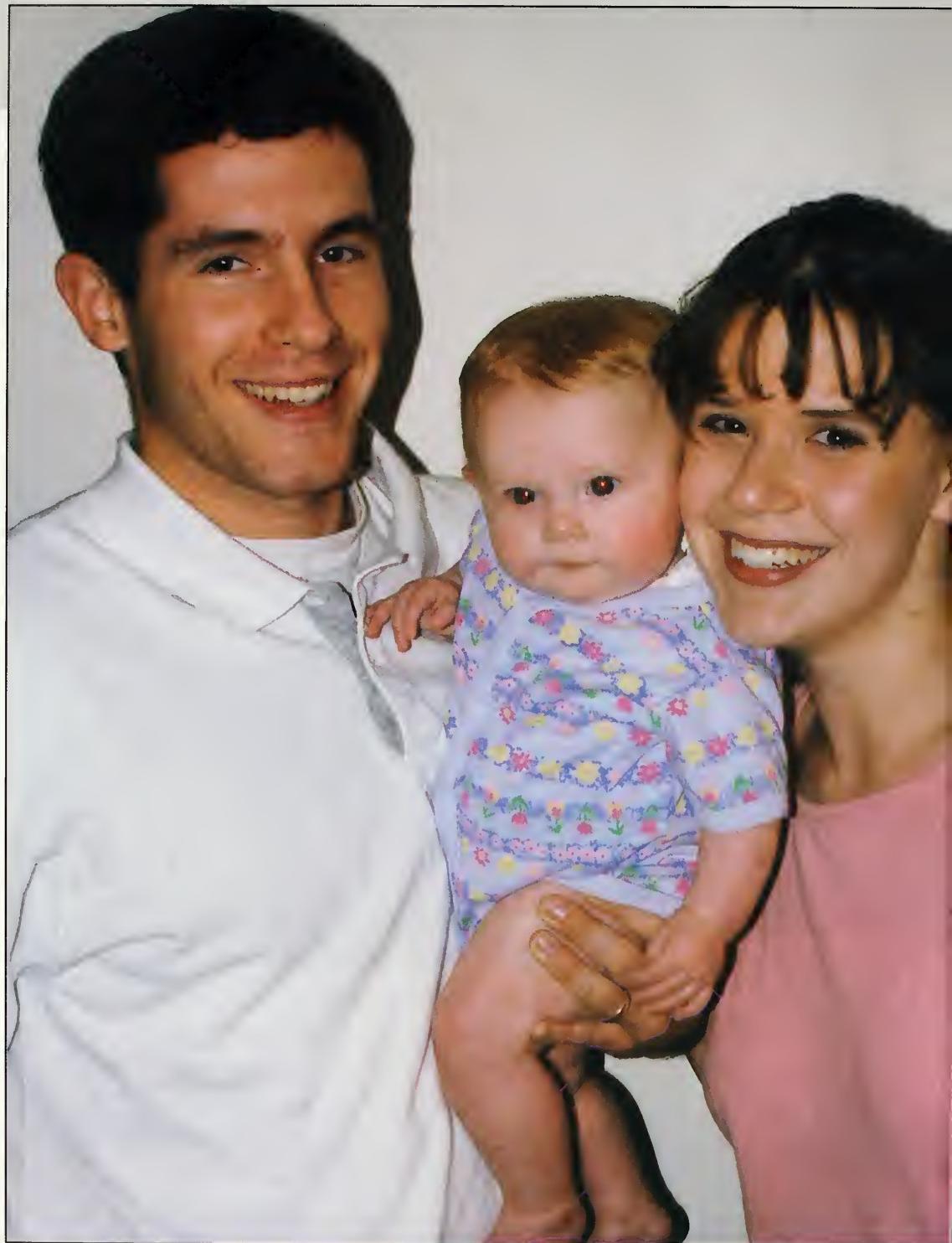
Harrieth Pauley



Eric Davis

1999 Homecoming court

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—Marty Songer



photos by Eric Davis and Havilah Paule

spotlight

the moultons family



love and marriage ... and little Hannah

The college experiences of seniors James and Stephanie Moulton have been a little different than those of most students. After an early marriage, the Moultons, both full-time students, were expecting their first child during the summer before their senior year.

Baby Hannah Marie was born on Stephanie's birthday, June 3, 1999. Stephanie says, "Having a baby has completely transformed our lives, our marriage, everything."

Being parents during their senior years was not originally what the Moultons had expected. Stephanie says, "Children weren't an immediate plan for us. I wanted to maybe get a PhD, help with a ministry, just get involved." With a smile, she adds, "Hannah is probably an only child for as long as God allows it."

The Moulton family story started during their freshman year when James' friends encouraged him to ask Stephanie out. They started dating soon after. As James launches into the animated account, Stephanie says, "Not really *dating*, I mean, we didn't kiss for, like three months."

"We were *dating*," James insists. "We just didn't tell people that we were." The story continues.

During their sophomore year, James traveled to Australia on a Lighthouse trip. When he returned, he felt that God wanted them to be married soon. Through a series of struggling and questioning, the two reached the decision that, for both financial and romantic reasons, things would work out better if they were married immediately rather than wait for the summer. Stephanie says, "We talked to a lot of people. We talked to my parents about it and to our pastor."

The intended result was to get married right away ("just on paper," Stephanie says), then wait until a ceremony during the summer to actually call themselves married. But, Stephanie says, "After we did it, we realized it was *real*." It wasn't long before the Moultons had moved off campus and

decided that they were, after all, married. A prominently displayed picture of Stephanie in a white dress with a long train and James in a tuxedo is proof that the two did have a formal ceremony later. James says, "It was good; we really needed to do it."

Life was adjusted again when the Moultons discovered that Stephanie was pregnant. The easy solution seemed to be for one of them to quit school and stay at home with the baby. But education is very important to the Moultons, and they decided to try to stay in school and take care of Hannah.

Because Stephanie and James are not "traditional" students, it is hard for them to feel like they are a part of student life. James, who works at Cracker Barrel 25 hours per week, says, "I think there's a lot that we don't have in common with other students, but it's not that we can't relate. I understand guys doing weird things in the middle of the night."

Stephanie adds, "Last year, it was fun to be married and different. This year, I've wanted to get involved again."

Early fall semester, the Moultons are settling into the routine of being students *and* parents. James comments that the adjustment was, at first, "really, really hard." He says, "For the first few weeks, it was a big event if we got a shower."

Because the Moultons share the same major, most of their classes are together, so there is a lot of necessary childcare. Stephanie said, "Our friends have been wonderful. Hannah is watched entirely by students—some paid, some not."

Though the Moultons live a more difficult life than most students, the young family seems to be doing well. Hannah gurgles and kicks her tiny legs. Everyone is relaxed and smiling. Thinking back causes some laughs, as well as some pain. Through it all, Sundays keep the Moultons going. James says, "We hope for Sundays to be a time when God will pull us out of what we're doing and give us a focus." Stephanie smiles at her husband, nods and says, "That's our prayer."

by Kendra Beutler

christmas

Elizabeth Cardy



— I want... —

(left) Children of faculty and staff members had the chance to sit on Santa's lap and entertain the audience.

— friendly service —

(right) Senior Kevin Flaherty pours a drink for sophomore Chad VanHill.



Elizabeth Cardy



at taylor

— all dressed up —

Seniors Mark Bettenhausen and Allison McCormick pause for a picture during their Christmas banquet dinner.

Eric Davis



— matching booties —

(left) Jay Kesler responds to a slide show in his honor, which was presented by ICC. The Kesler couple appeared publicly in their pajamas that night for the last time during Jay's presidency.



Eric Davis

— mic in hand —

Joel Sonnenberg, vice president of the senior class, speaks to the crowd at Christmas with Jay.



Elizabeth Cardy

Explaining it to the outside world is nearly impossible, but for Taylor students, the annual Taylathon means a dose of healthy competition between the classes. Each team, consisting of men and women, bike and trike around a portion of the loop. The juniors were victorious with Ben Canida and Jeff DeKruyter leading most of the way. "We're pretty tough," commented junior team captain Mike Paull before the race. "We're the fastest by far. We're pretty smooth.... ." The confidence of the juniors proved true, but not without a price to pay. DeKruyter's bike was involved in an accident on the third turn leaving him slightly injured, but still able to help the juniors cross the finish line first.

For the freshmen, Taylathon meant a few minor problems along the way, but ultimately a rewarding experience. "We've had a lot of bike problems while practicing, people taking our bikes... but we're doing pretty well," freshman Joe Wilhelm said. Despite their fourth place finish, the freshmen now loaded with experience are prepared to compete in Taylathon 2001.

Taylathon is more than just a bike-and-trike race. It's about pride; it's a tradition unique to Taylor University. The annual Taylathon means weeks of 6 a.m. practices, possible injuries and a culmination of the Taylor community on a beautiful day in May.

Mike Schueler



victorious juniors

The Junior Bike and Trike team poses for their well-deserved victory photo opp.



bikes and trikes...



Joel Michels, Sophomores

"We had trouble getting riders right at first, but things are going well. We feel confident that we can ride to the best of our ability. We're just hoping for a clean race and just to have fun."



Mike Paul, Juniors

"I think we're pretty tough -- we're the fastest by far, we're pretty smooth and we're just pretty excited to be here."



James Kutnow, Seniors

"Our biggest strength is experience because our transitions have shined through, and we've only had one, maybe two wrecks during practice time this year."

a world away

On a scale from one to 10, Heidi Harbin ranked her trip to Italy a 10. Leaving for Orvieto, Italy, on Sept. 5, Heidi began her semester-long experience with a flight to Boston, where she met up with the rest of her group to continue her trip of approximately 20 hours.

While there, Heidi experienced the art education aspect of the trip, as well as the culture. Heidi thinks back to all that she did from September to December—the restoration work done on the convent (where she lived those three-and-a-half months), the painting, Renaissance and Italian classes and the time spent outside the convent especially.

Outside the school walls, Heidi “hung out a lot at the cafe.” She explains that she had “at least one coffee break a day, if not more.” She recalls the Full Moon Festivals, during which the students would join the townspeople in going to the park with blankets and refreshments. And Heidi also found a new appreciation for the church. Regularly attending San Giovanale, a church that was a five-minute walk away, she realized that “[the church is] larger than just the modern evangelical movement.”

While there, Heidi toured parts of the country, including Florence, Milan, Padua, Rome, Sienna and Venice — her favorite being Sienna. But Heidi loved just hiking around the Orvieto area. She spoke of a monastery with gardens around it that she frequented. With that, Heidi claims, “My favorite part was just being in the beautiful culture with 20 friends.”

About the students she got to know on the trip, Heidi considers five of them close friends. One student is Sara Odam, a sophomore at Taylor. The other students are from Gordon, Messiah and Westmont. Sara and Heidi visited about 15 of their first semester friends at Messiah and Gordon on their way to Boston for spring break. All of the students in the program were art students, except for two.

Heidi initially chose the trip for the location and course load. She says, “I always wanted to travel. And I always thought Italy sounded like an amazing place. Also, I wanted to have an intensively art semester. And I got that.”

That's not all she got. Heidi also came back with scores of nun stories. And Sister Palma, who Heidi affectionately calls “Crazy Nun Palma,” is who she speaks of the most. Heidi tells how “Palma loved to use the two English words she knew, ‘hello’ and ‘goodbye,’ and how ‘she seemed like a sweet old lady, but she really did plumbing, and you’d always see her with tools.’ According to Heidi, this same sister taught five from the group to knit.

Aside from the people, the culture and the art, Heidi gained a new understanding for “appreciating each moment fully.” She said she “learned [this] because of the time spent on the mundane things, like walking around and sitting down. Those are some of my most wonderful memories.” And Heidi insists, “Everyone should take advantage of a semester overseas. It’s the best opportunity to experience another country. And it’s fun!”

by Jessica Barnes



mountaintop experience

A ghost town approximately 20 miles from the convent where the art students lived, Bagnoregio, Italy, can only be accessed by the bridge visible here. Heidi Harbin and Sara Odam visited this site on a day trip.

“...the mundane things, like walking around and sitting down. Those are some of my most wonderful memories.”
—Heidi Harbin



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rustic refinement

This is the main street in Orvieto, the town which was home to two Taylor art students first semester. Named Via Della Cava, the roadway, which divides the town into two, dates back to Etruscan times.



hiding out

Posing with a mask on display outside a Venice craft shop selling a variety of masks, Heidi Harbin is on a street off Grand Canal.



photo provided

[Crazy Nun] Palma loved to use the two English words she knew, 'hello' and 'good-bye.'

—Heidi Harbin



"sisters" in christ

Sara Odam and Sister Palma, a nun at the convent where Odam lived during fall semester, congregate with others in the parlor of the convent. This took place after the students from Taylor, Gordon, Messiah and Westmont performed a goodbye concert for the nuns.

— new heights —

Looking out over Florence, from the San Miniato Church, are Gordon students Tori LaLiberte and Michelle Arnold (left and right) and Taylor junior Heidi Harbin (center). The group made a day trip to the famous city. According to Harbin, there were three or four trips made to Florence throughout the semester.

— upside-down —

Senior Jana Hunt performs her walking-on-hands act during Stupid Human Tricks. She won third place and wowed the crowd with this feat.

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it a pleasant dining
experience for all
patrons.

—Vinnie Manganello

Eric Davis



stupid, but fun



Eric Davis

A unique SAC event, Stupid Human Tricks, was held on March 16 during dinner at the dining commons. The DC was unusually filled with students of all ages, including off-campus seniors who ate there simply to experience the event.

Senior Laura Pedemonti said, "I just wanted to go and support my roommate with her walking-on-her-hands trick." And it was fruitful for the Briarwood 2J apartment dwellers to attend—for one of Pedemonti's roommates, Jana Hunt, won the third place prize of two yo-yos for walking on her hands.

About the event's inception, Vinnie Manganello, who emceed the night, said, "We just wanted to interject some life into the DC, making it a pleasant dining experience for all patrons."

The first and second place prizes were a pair of walkie talkies and a frisbee, respectively. The grand prize winner was J.R. Briggs for his chair-on-chin balancing act. Second place went to John Wachtmann, who performed a feat of dexterity by wrapping his arms around his head.

Looking back, Manganello said, "I think [the Stupid Human Tricks event] went really well. The crowd was pretty into it, and we got some pretty sound acts."

by Jessica Barnes

balance

Junior J.R. Briggs puts on a balancing act. His most impressive display was a chair-on-chin routine, which pulled off the win and sent him home with walkie talkies.



Eric Davis

ouch!

Freshman John Wachtmann bends back his fingers, initially proving his dexterity. He followed this up with a trick in which he, as a human pretzel, wrapped his twisted arms around his body. Wachtmann placed second in the competition.

spotlight

erin syswerda
model



the light at the end of the runway

With her 21-inch long, straight blond hair wrestling its way to the ground, attempting proportion to her lean, 6-foot-tall body, the fact that she is a model is not hard to believe. But for Erin Syswerda, her lifelong dream of being a runway queen is not something she commonly discusses.

"I don't think it's that big of a deal." Having modeled since the age of 15, Erin says runway modeling comes naturally to her. "It just feels like I'm in my element. For me, it's really easy."

Erin's naturalness on the runway is not the only reason she plans to pursue modeling professionally after graduation. Mostly, Erin doesn't want to have regrets. She says, "Even if it only turns into a small career, it's something that I feel I'll always kick myself for if I don't do it." She adds, "I'd rather get a flat out 'no' rather than wonder when I'm 40 if I could have done it when I was 22."

However, Erin says that she is willing to forego the immediate revenue of New York to escape the harsh entry into modeling that the Big Apple would eagerly supply. That's why she went to Nashville during the summer of 1999—to initiate herself to the modeling world there. Erin says she started in Nashville because "it's a lot nicer than New York."

Now back at Taylor for her senior year, and her parents at home in Michigan, Erin reminisces about the Nashville trip saying, "My parents had always supported me, but they never really encouraged me in it until this summer." Looking back further, she remembers being allowed to model (at home) at an early age, explaining, "I'd always dress up in my mom's clothes and stuff, and pretend I was something."

Without charm school lessons, Erin now looks to make that "something" a runway model. Having modeled primarily in bridal gowns, Erin relies on that experience as an indication of the modeling world at large. From that, she knows that a model's attitude changes with different music and each dress. It might also change as the day grows long.

At the Notre Dame bridal shows, which she does each year, Erin typically wears four different dresses during each of the four shows repeated that day. Commenting about the backstage pace, she says, "You definitely can't sit down and take a few naps. But [the quick changes before returning to the runway] help energize you."

The former Miss Blueberry for her hometown, Erin says she is now energized by daily exercise and a healthy diet. Many may have seen her race walking around campus. And close friends know that she watches what she eats "for the most part," although she considers "mac and cheese" her "staple food when [she's] feeling sad." Erin adds that she's "a big fan of ice cream—Breyers' cookies and cream." Yet she admits, "I watch [indulging] for the most part. But I let myself have dessert at least once a week."

Still, Erin thinks it's worth it. She says, "It gives you such a boost of confidence, to be something that people look at and are admiring." But she does not speak of only the positive aspects of the modeling world. Erin is leery of becoming fixated on her body size and image. She admits, "I would have to pray a lot for strength—being surrounding by it every day." But Erin encourages herself with the thought that she could "be a light to these people, a breath of fresh air."

by Jessica Barnes



photos by Eric Davis and Havilah Pauley

it's all an act

Eric Davis

— dormouse —

The dormouse, played by sophomore Sarah Merzig, entertains an unlikely group at the Mad Hatter's tea party in "Alice in Wonderland."



— "oh, goodness!" —

(below) Played by freshman Sarah Flagel, Alice's mannerisms were modeled after Shirley Temple in "Alice in Wonderland."



Eric Davis

— a tense scene —

(below) Hank (Cory Rodeheaver) and Bessie (senior Lisha McKinley) have a serious discussion in Doctor Wally's waiting room. "Marvin's Room" dealt with family issues and death.



**disney world**

(left) In the production of "Marvin's Room," Charlie (sophomore Andrew Crowe) and Aunt Ruth (senior Michelle Haywood) share a laugh during a family trip to Disney World. Charlie's mother, Lee (sophomore Lynn Kenny), looks on.

**the first act**

(above) Freshman Ben Friedberg, senior Leslie Wood and freshman Cathy McClanathan, as Diggory, Dolly and a barmaid, respectively, have a few mugs of ale in "She Stoops to Conquer." It is at this bar that Tony Lumpkin, played by Andrew Draper, tricks two travelers into believing that the home where they are heading is an inn, which causes the two to make fools of themselves.

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**an awkward moment**

Kate Hardcastle (sophomore Lynn Kenny) and Young Marlow (junior Josh Olson) are making their first acquaintance with one another, as they are about to enter into an arranged marriage. At this point, Marlow is uncomfortable around respectable women like Harcastle, to whom he falls in love when she "stoops" to dressing as a barmaid.

how it happens

Everyone appreciates the hard work that actors, actresses and directors put into making a Taylor theatre production happen. But what *really* happens behind the scenes? The *lIum* staff decided to find out.

hammer and nail

Cory Rodeheaver, shop technician

ilium: What is your official title?

cory: This year, I'm the shop technician, but next year I'll be the technical director. Right now, I'm in charge of doing the actual building for what we are doing, and I supervise all the students who are working on the set. Next year, I'll be overseeing students in other areas, too.

ilium: What kind of hours do you work?

cory: It depends on the show and schedule. Usually I'm here all during the day, but students come in the evening, so I come back in then. The job takes lots of hours. The final week before production, you're putting in close to 80 to 100 hours.

ilium: What is the biggest challenge for a set this year?

cory: "Alice in Wonderland" was somewhat complex, because we were using the three turntables. Each show has its own challenges, though, so I can't really say one is more challenging than the other. Every show is different; every show we do something that I've never done before.



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sew-sew

Johannah Graves, costumes chair

ilium: What does your job entail?

johannah: I work with the director to decide who will wear what. For this play ["Marvin's Room"] the assistant directors had a really good idea of what they wanted.

ilium: How many hours does this all take?

johannah: It depends on the show. This play ["Marvin's Room"] was really easy. It took maybe two hours total. But for the last play ["Alice in Wonderland"], I was working for between six and eight hours a day.

ilium: What is the most challenging costume you have worked on?

johannah: Last year, I had to put together a really fancy wedding dress for a ball gown. And the animal costumes were really challenging for "Alice in Wonderland."

— creative costumes —

Junior Rob Bley poses in his mouse costume for "Alice in Wonderland." Graves said, "...the animal costumes were really challenging..."



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before.
—Cory
Rodeheaver

prop it up

David Cruse, prop master

ilium: What show did you work on?

david: I worked on "Marvin's Room."

ilium: What did your job entail?

david: It entailed pretty much [work]. I was given a list of necessary props, so I had to put together whatever I thought was appropriate ... I did a lot of shopping. I went out every day getting stuff.

ilium: How big was your crew?

david: There were six, including me.

ilium: How much time did you spend getting props ready before the show?

david: I would get there about two hours before [it started] to rearrange everything, because we always left everything like it was after the show was over.

ilium: What was your biggest challenge?

david: Probably all the set changes, because we had to take everything completely off the stage. I was moving big things, like beds.

- a complex job -

Members of the set crew work hard constructing the set for "Alice in Wonderland." Student volunteers often work until early morning, especially as the performance gets nearer.

put your best face forward

Katye Bennett, co-chair of makeup

ilium: Which play did you work on?

katye: For "Alice in Wonderland," I was makeup co-chair and in charge of hair. For "Marvin's Room," I was an assistant director.

ilium: What is your favorite part of the job?

katye: Just the interaction with everyone and getting to watch it [the play] develop. It's great to know you had a part in getting it to work.

ilium: How much time does the job take?

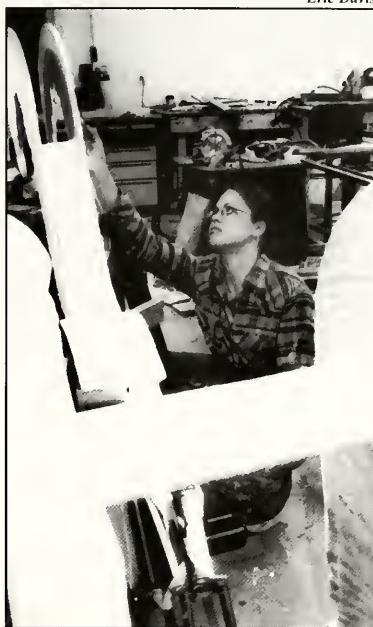
katye: We usually start by the tech day, at the latest. We go through a preliminary run of make-up and hair for each character.

ilium: How about before the actual shows?

katye: It was such a huge cast. I had to start at, like, four in the afternoon and still was barely done in time.

ilium: What was the biggest challenge this year?

katye: Figuring out how the makeup was going to be done. We were able to teach most of the characters to do their own makeup. Also, just the nature of "Alice in Wonderland." There are so many animals.



— concentration —

Junior Noel Randel puts a few touches on one of the more complex props for "Alice in Wonderland," the White Knight's horse.



Eric Davis

lights and glamour

(above) Junior Sharon Roberts applies eye makeup before a production of "Alice in Wonderland."

a steady hand

Junior Kat Forbes applies eye makeup to a character from the fall play.



Eric Davis

breaking through the bubble

— the final say —

Senior Joel Sonnenberg addresses the senior class, faculty and guests. He spoke about not making excuses.





Eric Davis

-lucky winner-

Stephanie Hinkle shakes President Jay Kesler's hand after being announced as Taylor's 15-thousandth graduate. Ironically, Hinkle's great-great-grandfather was a Taylor president. Hinkle received a plaque for the honor.



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one last song

Senior Lisa Sweeney sings for the last time with Taylor's chorale. The chorale sang two numbers during the graduation ceremony.



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a sea of black

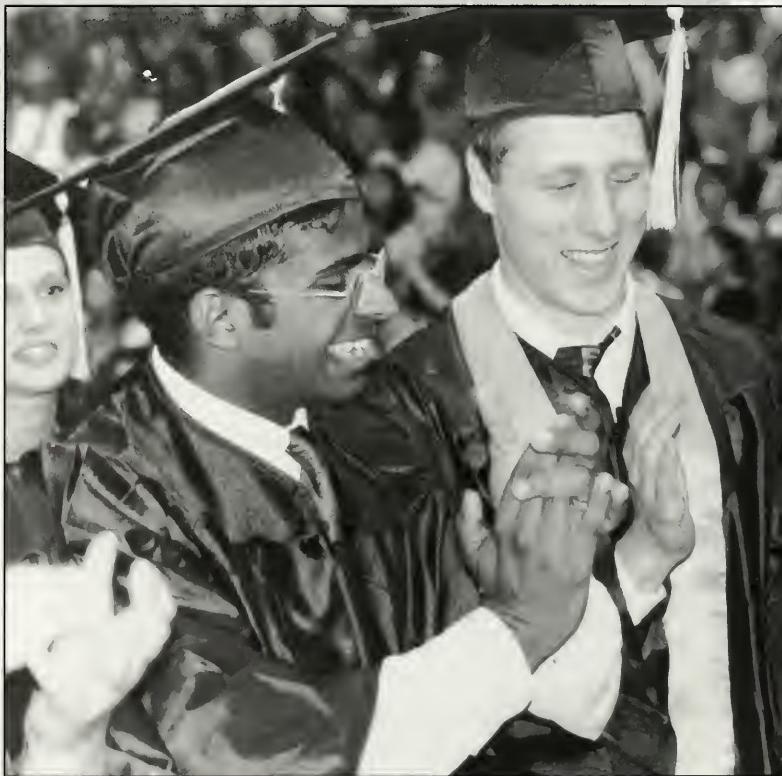
The graduates of 2000 listen to the program during the ceremony on May 27. The class graduated with 421 students. The ceremony was held inside Odle Gymnasium due to inclement weather conditions.

friendship

After four years of having classes together, students within majors get to know each other on a close basis. Pictured here are environmental biology majors Eric Bitner, Craig Evans, Elizabeth Hasenmyer and Ben Hess.

graduation specifics

- ◆ Graduation was held at 10 a.m. on May 27 in the Odle Gymnasium, because of the forecast of rain for the day.
- ◆ Joel Sonnenberg gave the first speech and brought unparalleled laughter with his comment about duct-taping his cap to his head.
- ◆ President Jay Kesler gave the commencement address, speaking for the last time to the Class of 2000.
- ◆ It sprinkled on and off throughout the day, but the graduates were able to march from outside. Most of them had muddy shoes. A total of 421 students graduated during the ceremony.
- ◆ The graduation ceremony was aired live in the Rediger Auditorium, and there was a large crowd because each student was limited to five guests inside the gymnasium.

**standing ovation**

Jesse Joe Puttanickal and Nathan Roth, both biology majors, join in a standing ovation.



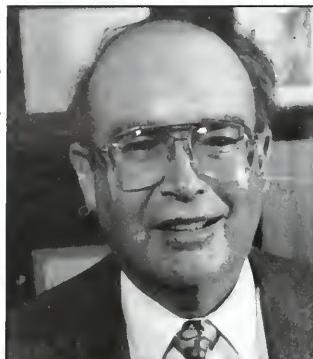
— a graceful wave —

Erin Amerson waves as she spots her family in the audience.

breaking through
the bubble

we will all

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David C. Dickey

February 1946 — March 2000

David Dickey, director of Taylor's Zondervan Library, was reported missing on Sunday, March 19, by his wife, Barbara. A professor of music at Taylor, Barbara called the police after her husband did not return from a church conference in Indianapolis.

Four days later, Dickey's body was found by fishermen in Geist Reservoir. His car had been found the day before in a church parking lot three miles away.

The Taylor community was alerted to the situation by a campus-wide e-mail when Dickey was still labeled "missing." His funeral was held on March 28 at First Presbyterian Church in Muncie

where both of the Dickeys served as elders. A memorial service was held at Taylor on Friday, April 7, during chapel.

President Jay Kesler, Dwight Jessup, vice president of academic affairs, and Laurie Wolcott spoke during the chapel service. Wolcott began serving as interim library director upon Dickey's death.

Dickey began working in the Zondervan Library in 1972, seven years after graduating from Taylor. He was a founder of the Upland Historical Society and a leader in the Private Academic Library Network of Indiana (PALNI).

In Memoriam

I first met David Dickey when I came to Taylor in 1967. David had completed his degree in library science and was working in another college library. However, he loved theatre and had a special relationship with Mrs. Greathouse, head of Taylor's speech and drama department. Mrs. G, as everyone called her, had hired David to work on set construction. At that time, theatre productions were done in the Helena Building, and sets were built in the basement of MCW [Magee-Campbell-Wisconsin dormitory]. The first time I saw David, he was on the floor building a flat for Mrs. G's upcoming production of "Tartuffe." His interest in theatre did not end with building sets. He attended every Taylor theatre production and always had insightful and supportive comments to offer actors and directors. Attending a professional theatre event with David was an unforgettable experience. If it was a comedy, no one laughed more delightfully than David. If it was a serious drama, David was enthralled, and his responses were infectious.

Throughout his life, David had a variety of interests, but most of them stemmed either from his love of the arts or his love of libraries. He was an excellent photographer. One photography project which he completed some time ago involved taking slides of all the courthouses in Indiana and developing a lecture about the unique architecture of these structures. He also made an extremely complete photographic record of Zondervan Library from the time of the groundbreaking to the dedication of the completed building.

Film was another interest David had. He developed and taught an honors film course. He attended films regularly and kept up with the latest trends in cinema. At the same time, he knew a great deal about film history and appreciated classic Hollywood cinema, as well as films from many other countries. Going to see a film with David and Barbara was always an intellec-

tually and aesthetically stimulating experience.

For more than a decade, David had the responsibility of booking the Performing Artist Series for Taylor University. His commitment to the series was often demonstrated in his ceaseless efforts to create and sustain interest in the quality programs he booked. He was especially delighted by the opportunity to meet and entertain artists from different countries and larger metropolitan areas.

David was an engaging conversationalist who was able to interact comfortably with a wide spectrum of people. His enthusiasm and energy often seemed boundless. He had a unique gift for caring and compassion. He understood that love was not something you said but something you did. David lived out the implications of caring for a wide variety of people from different walks of life who had different needs. If they needed a pie, David baked one. If they needed transportation, David drove them to their destinations. If they needed a cataloguer to help them organize a library, David volunteered his services. If they needed conversation, David visited them. He met people where they were and ministered to them at the point of their greatest needs.

David was "a librarian's librarian." He was never too busy to stop and answer any question a faculty member or student posed. His love of trivia was an invaluable mental resource. It often seemed that there was no topic under the sun that David had not read about, and he always knew how to help you find the information you required. He loved books both for themselves and for their contents, and his love was contagious.

Zondervan Library will never be the same with David gone. We miss you, David, and pray that light perpetual shines upon you.

— Jessica Rousselow, professor of communication arts

remember...

Ashley Hayford

October 1981 — January 2000

photo provided

Ashley Ann Hayford, freshman, was involved in a fatal automobile accident on January 30. Riding back to campus from a weekend visit at her long-time friend freshman Heidi Lesner's home, the two were in a one-car accident. Lesner was driving the 1999 GMC Yukon. She was approaching the Otto Road overpass on Interstate 69, when she lost control, and the vehicle hit a patch of ice. The car hit the concrete pillar of the highway's median, trapping both of the students. Once the two were retrieved from the vehicle and taken to the hospital, Hayford was pronounced

dead. Lesner suffered from no major injuries.

Hayford's death was announced to the student body during chapel the following day. A memorial service was held that night, giving students a chance to express their grief. Hayford's funeral was at Stone Haven United Methodist Church in Milford, Mich., and was well-attended by Taylor students.

Hayford was a Christian education major at Taylor and lived in Swallow Robin Hall. She is survived by her parents and two sisters.

Hayford's family is from Milford, Mich.



Strong and Dedicated ... an incredible woman of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Her mission in life was to serve God with every part of her being.

Through each trial, she found the good. Christ breathed through her every word.

Ashley was our inspiration, encouragement and source of joy.

Her laugh was contagious.

Her shoulder was always there to cry on. And her mouth was filled with words of wisdom.

The Spirit of God captivated her mind as she pursued her dreams.

She was an accomplished track runner and basketball MVP.

An "A" student who was not only popular, funny and outgoing, but also kind to every person she came in contact with.

Colorado was her favorite place in the world to be.

She dreamed of one day living there so she could hike in the mountains and bask in God's beautiful creation.

Each of us was left with an incredible memory that time cannot erase,

And a motivation to serve God with all that we are.

Her favorite Bible verse was,
"Rejoice in the Lord always,"

And she lived that out with amazing passion.

Her goal in life was to hear Jesus say, "Well done my good and faithful servant."

And on that sun-filled day of January 30, 2000, we all know she heard those very words from the mouth of Jesus Christ!

—by Heidi Lesner

photo provided



best friends

Heidi Lesner and Ashley Hayford are pictured together above. The two grew up together, and Lesner was with Hayford when she died. Lesner wrote the poem at the left as a memorial to Hayford.

year



Hannah Paudel

tailgate party

Junior Laura Newton (above) attempts to win the Chubby Bunny contest before the opening football game against Anderson. Derek Rust (right), a junior, participates in a pie eating contest.



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august

28-30

Eric Davis



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september

welcome - weekend

PROBE leader Meredith Saylor and Josh Kijanko pause for a smile at the freshman ho-down. The ho-down, held annually, welcomed freshman in with a barbecue and square dancing.



Eric Davis

spiritual renewal

A. Charles Ware, a well-known author and speaker, signs one of his books for a Taylor student. Ware is the president of Baptist Bible College and spoke about spiritual maturity throughout the week.

in review



Eric Davis

happy birthday!

Students across campus gathered to celebrate President Jay Kesler's 64th birthday. They surprised him by meeting outside his door and singing "Happy Birthday."

taylor film festival

Senior Nate Marquardt, acting as Jerry Seinfeld, announces an award winner. Juniors Josh Olson and Matt Bellito co-directed the winning film titled "Marros Oneiro," which means "Black Dream."



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october

30

ken medema

During the Parents' Weekend concert, Medema livens up the crowd with animated singing, story telling and piano playing. Adding variety, the blind musician also plays a keyboard.



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december

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november

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over the rhine

Karin Berquist, lead singer for the band, performs at the Taylor concert.

year

Jim Garringer



Jim Garringer

january

21

march

11-15

february

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spiritual renewal

Because Jay Kesler's mother had recently passed away, Kesler could not be this year's spiritual renewal speaker as planned. Professor Ron Collymore (right) and graduates Rachel and Matt Piercley (above) were some of the replacement speakers.

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president-elect

During chapel, David Gyertson was introduced to the student body as the upcoming president. Gyertson served as the president of Asbury College for seven years. (above) Gyertson gives his testimony during the chapel service. (right) Dean of the Chapel Richard Allen Farmer and the president-elect listen as President Jay Kesler addresses the student body.

Eric Davis



in review

photo provided



who wants to be a thousandaire?

Junior Josh Olson (center) announces the winners of the SAC game shows, "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire?" and "Who Wants to Date a Thousandaire?" Freshman Ashlee Neier took home \$108 and a date with junior Adam Fennig.

Eric Davis



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april

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Eric Davis

youth conference



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grandparents' day

Junior Andres Cabezas, from Costa Rica, heads to Morris Hall with his grandmother. Hundreds of grandparents came from all over to see their grandchildren and Taylor on Taylor's Grandparents' Day.

Jim Garringer

may

12

15



honors chapel

Faye Chechowich (left), this year's recipient of the Distinguished Professor of the Year award, doles out a plaque to senior Ruth Seward. Seward received the North American Professors of Christian Education Scholastic Recognition award.

Sophomores Liz Cardy (right)
and Marie Yates relax in Cardy's
room on First West Olson.

(photo by Havilah Pauley)



people



seniors

class of 2000

Jesse Adams
Christina Allen,
Elementary Education
James Allen,
Communication Studies
Robin Allison,
Elementary Education
Erin Amerson,
Elementary Education



Kristina Ammerman
Elizabeth Amos,
Communication Studies
Cathie Anderson,
Business Administration
Seth Anderson, Psychology
Jason Andreassen,
Engineering Physics



Katie Andreassen,
Elementary Education
John Aoun,
Computer Science Systems
Brian Armes, English
Benjamin Asper, Accounting,
Business Administration
Noel Balasingham,
Elementary Education



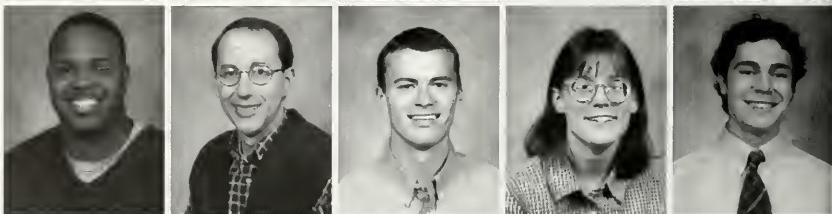
Alan Ball, Biology
Matthew Barcalow
Torrey Barger, Social Work
Jessica Barnes,
Mass Communication
Amelia Barnett, Biology



Joylane Bartron,
Mass Communication,
Political Science
Jeanelle Beam, Social Work
Debra Bedor, Accounting
Caroline Behnken,
Elementary Education
Tiffany Bell,
Elementary Education



Richard Benberry
Ryan Benbow,
Mathematics Education
Eric Benton, Business
Administration Systems
Jennifer Bergens,
Elementary Education
Justin Berger, Political Science,
Business Administration



senior reflections

by matthew rohrs

"Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all

good things with his instructor." Galatians 6:6

As I reflect upon my time at Taylor, I can think of hundreds of people and experiences that I am unbelievably thankful for.

There is one particular group, though, that has made an especially big difference in my life, and I would like to devote this space to say thank you to these special people. They are the men of Taylor University, and ironically, at first I did not value either their friendship or the wisdom that they could offer to me.

As a freshman, my mind was focused on one thing and one thing only: "fellowship" with my 900 new female neighbors. I certainly had no desire to sit around with a bunch of guys holding hands and sharing my feelings. But after falling on my face a few times and learning that freshmen can't compete with off-campus upperclassmen in the game of love, a curious thing happened. God started using my wingmates, PA's and professors to impact the way that I wanted to live my life. Looking back, I see that these brothers in Christ taught me more about Christ's love,

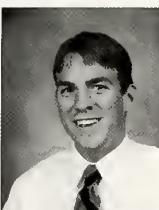
and what it truly means to seek Him,

than anyone else has in my life.

So please accept my sincere thanks, and know that you have made all the difference in at least one young man's life. You have listened when what I really needed was a supportive ear, spoken when I began to stray from the path, prayed without ceasing and loved an imperfect sinner when he didn't deserve it. Each one of you has been my instructor, and this is my attempt to share all good things with you. I love you all.



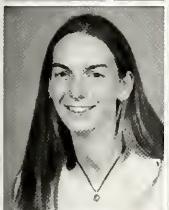
Jennifer Berry,
Communication Studies, Spanish
Mark Bettenhausen, Business
Administration, Spanish



Jason Beutler,
Computer Science Systems
Kendra Beutler,
Mass Communication



Martha Binns,
Christian Education
Eric Bitner,
Environmental Biology



Erin Bitner, Biology
Abigail Blackshire, Psychology



A. Jana Blazek, Psychology
Jeremy Block, Biblical Literature



Alina Bond, Biology
Loretta Bonura



senior reflections

by mark mohrlang

I have had four wonderful spring breaks during my years here at Taylor. They have always been wonderful times of travel, going deeper in relationships and have left me with some wonderful memories. Here are a few of them.

Freshman year: Honduras with the Track and Field team. Late at night Kristin Horn was dared to kiss me while I was sleeping outside in a hammock. Somehow she missed and ended up "layin' a big one" on Bryan Clark, by far the hunkiest sprinter on the team.

Weird...because I slept with my name tag on...well, whatever.

Favorite picture: Craig Jagers and I singing "No woman, no cry" adding our own verses about how hard coach was working us.

Sophomore year: Camping and mountain biking with Bobby "booby" Whisman, Jason "gomer" Palm, Justin "berger" Berger and Eric "hot-body" Davis in North Carolina. While getting caked with mud and thoroughly exhausting our bodies during the day, we shared stories and played many a card game by the firelight at night. My favorite picture: all five of us crammed into Bobby's

Celica hatchback with all our gear and five bikes somehow strapped to the top and back of that tiny car.

Junior year: Road trip with Troy Tiberi, Loren Kimble, Chris Chiero and John Molineaux. Destination: WEST. We joined a high school prom already in progress at the Mt. Rushmore visitor center (my first dance since 7th grade, and interestingly enough, I hung out near the refreshments for all of this one too!). We watched "A River Runs Through It" while driving through Montana (along with "Star Wars" and everyone's Disney favorite, "Heavyweights"). Favorite picture: All five of us crammed into Chiero's minivan (minus the middle seat) with all our gear and goods and a TV/VCR plugged into the lighter.

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seniors

class of 2000



Joanna Castro,
Social Work Spanish
Kristen Catalano,
Christian Education
Melissa Chambliss, Psychology
Kathryn Chandler, Psychology
Matthew Chase



Christopher Chiero
Daniel Chiu, English
Aaron Chivington,
Christian Education
Brent Cline, English Education
Heather Coaster, Psychology



Sara Coggins, Biology Education
Matthew Conrad, Business
Administration Systems,
Accounting
Jessica Cook, Music Education
Veronica Coombs,
Biblical Literature
Jerod Cornelius,
Business Administration



Amanda Corwin,
Communication Arts Education
Walker Cosgrove, History
Wesley Covert,
Business Administration
Rachel Crenshaw,
Elementary Education
Kimberly Cronin, Biology



David Cruse, Biology
Nathan Dager
Ruth Daily, Spanish
Jeniffer Dake
Eric Davis, Biblical Literature



Sybil Dawahare,
Elementary Education, Spanish
Derek Deaver, History
Daniel DeBruyn, Business
Administration, Accounting
Stephanie DeKorne,
International Studies, Philosophy
Gregory Delich, Music

seniors

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Grant Dess, International Studies
Leigh Anne Dexheimer
Edward Diffin, History,
International Studies
Bradley Dillon, Business
Administration Systems
Matthew DiStasi, Biology



senior reflections

by mark mohrlang



Monet Frazier,
Communication Studies
Eric Freekman, Business
Administration Systems



Erik Fritzsche, Business
Administration Systems
Lindsey Funsten, Biology



Sandra Fyffe, Music Education
William Gaines,
Biblical Literature



Cameron Gaither, Music
Phillip Gallagher,
Christian Education



Jennifer Gast
Travis Gaulden,
Engineering Physics



Robert Gausmann, Biology
Michelle Gettman, Psychology

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Senior year: I'm writing this senior reflection on an overcrowded

Greyhound headed back east from Seattle. Josh "shukie" McMullen, "hot-body" and myself have spent this last week checking out options and possibilities for after graduation (i.e. trying to figure out what the heck we're going to do with our lives!).

We sat next to a lady with a personal bubble the size of Alaska, met with Gordon Fee and looked at the cartoons on J.I. Packer's door (both Bible scholars extraordinaire), talked about living in an intentional community and gazed in awe at Mt. Rainier through the cherry blossoms on U.W.'s campus. I got invited to a "legalize marijuana" party, and Josh and Eric got asked if they were gay.

They're not.

We stayed with Matt Ghormley, a graduate of the Christian Ed. program in '98, who is currently working in landscape lighting before he heads off to Regent Seminary. One evening as we were catching up with each other, he shared what he's been learning during this year of just "working and living." He mentioned how tough it's been being out of a formal ministry setting for this year. He talked about struggling with feeling like he should be "doing" more. He also talked about how good it's been to rest in the arms of the Father simply as His child; to learn that nothing is as significant as being a child of God. So that's what I leave you with, your identity as a child of God. There is no greater calling.

Oh yeah...favorite picture: The three of us crammed into my parents '78 Honda Civic (smaller than a VW Bug) with all our gear and homework, eating the greasiest hamburgers and saltiest fries in front of the world famous "Dick's Drive-In."

senior reflections

by melissa campbell

I am a richer person than I was four years ago, rich in invaluable relationships that formed during my time at Taylor. I was raised in Upland and grew up to cherish it, but I disliked the thought of spending my four years of college in "corn country." I desired freedom from my parents and a fresh environment.

Only a Sovereign God could have known how I would be enriched by choosing to stay. I have had a solid education at Taylor that prepared me to be fully competent and effective in the working world. More importantly, I have had the privilege of knowing some fantastic people who freely gave unconditional support and encouragement. It is these relationships that

I will remember most about my college years.

I will remember my wing, Second Center Olson, which was prevailingly known for general silliness and constant violation of quiet hours. I will remember intramural football, where I first learned how to be ferocious while wearing a hair ribbon. I will even remember playing with dead cats in dissection lab, as gross as that sounds.

Above all, I will remember the people who did these things with me. I have learned that college is about more than getting an education. It's about meeting people and then getting personal. It's about loving your neighbors enough to truly care about the tiny details in their lives.

Taylor provided the nurturing environment that allowed my relationships to sprout and flourish. I know these friendships I formed will last a lifetime, even if only through prayers for one another. These relationships are true treasures from God, and are the most priceless riches I received while attending Taylor.

Nick Goad
Katrina Godshall,
Business Administration



Rachel Goeking,
Elementary Education
Kara Gordon,
Business Administration



Robert Gray, History
Jennifer Greer, Biology, Spanish



Sara Gross, History
Matthew Guilford,
Communication Studies



Gina Haaksma
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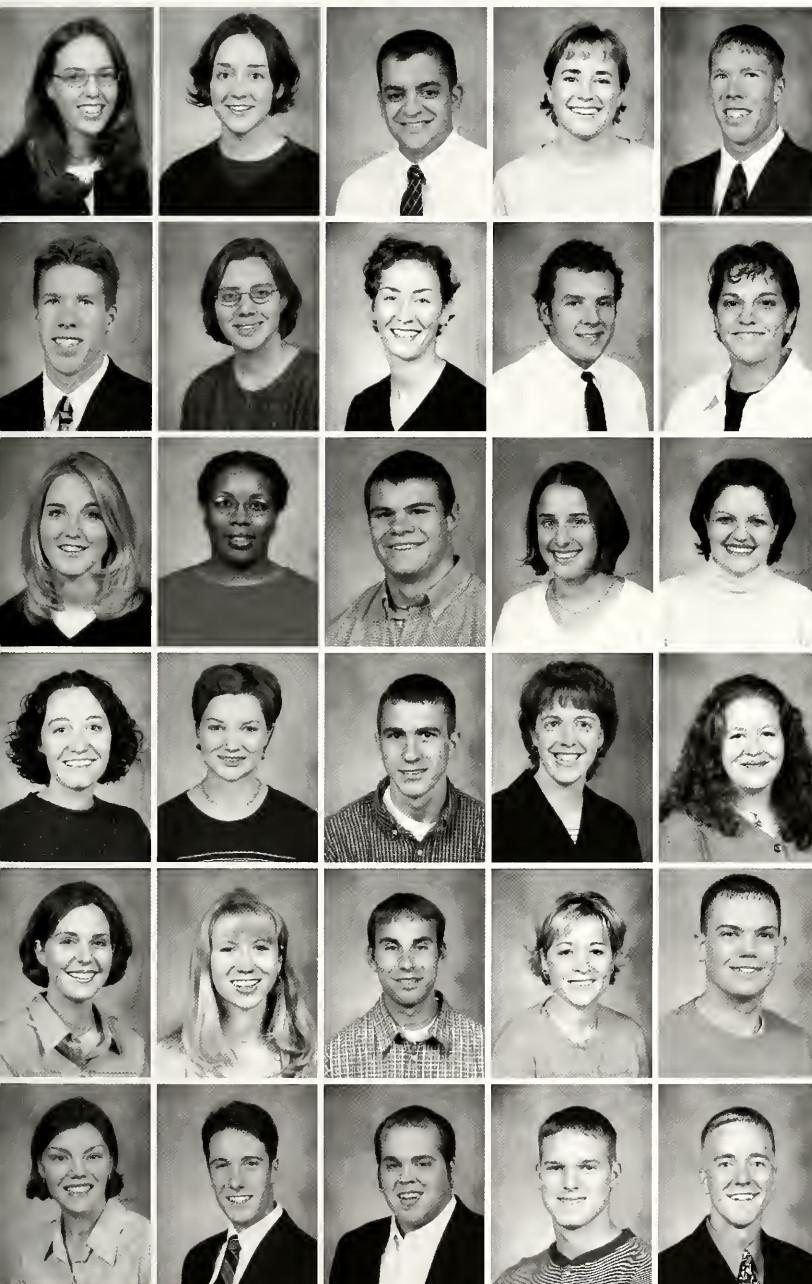


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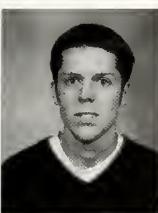
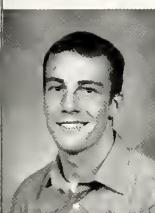


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senior reflections

by lisha mckinley



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It is strange to realize that suddenly we have earned a title like “senior” — and with it some degree of respect (maybe), quite a few expectations and an endless barrage of questions about future plans. “Professor” is not such an intimidating word anymore, and we find ourselves stopping by our advisor’s office even when we are not in desperate need of his or her signature. Hopefully we have started to realize that chapel is a privilege, Upland can be entertaining and sometimes the DC is something to look forward to. Everyone is not a stranger anymore, and we wish we had time to get to know those who still are.

During these years I have struggled with depression and found that the Lord is truly the lifter of my head; I have begged Him for wisdom and have been reassured that He orders my steps and “knows the way I take” (Job 23:10). I have needed His healing physically, His renewal mentally and His comfort spiritually. I have learned a little more of what Counselor means - the One who “wipes away the tears from all faces” (Isaiah 25:8) and stands in the place of absent mothers and fathers. Sobbing requests for friends, family members and professors have been carried to His throne by the strength of those around me. I have been encouraged to seek Him, have learned to be more thankful and know that when and how are His choice and why will probably not be answered yet. I am certain that I do not know how this story ends, but am excited, not anxious, to watch Him write the ending and am counting on the grace of the living God to shelter and sustain me for the remainder of the love affair.

senior reflections

by charlotte johnston

"Yet, O Lord, You are our Father. We are the clay, You are the potter; we are all the work of Your hand."

Isaiah 64:10

When I think of my time at Taylor, my heart is filled with praise and thanks for God's work, constant provision and plan. These past four years have been a time of refinement as the Lord has continually taught me and shown me more of Himself through Taylor's community. I came to Taylor scared and fearful, but He certainly worked on me and blessed me in more ways than I could have ever imagined. My memories overflow with God's goodness as I reflect upon my experience here of lifelong friends and professors, papers and tests, wing retreats and activities, Airbands and Taylathons, Lighthouse and student teaching experiences, chapels and conferences. Yes, there were difficult times, little sleep and much work, but as our president Dr. Jay Kesler said, "He has blessed me to the point of embarrassment!"

So now this goal I once only dreamed of is complete, full of memories and forever friends. I look ahead to the future, but not as I did four years ago. Instead of fear, I look forward with great anticipation and hope knowing God's faithfulness will continue to shape all of us as He takes us places to serve in ways and with people we never have before. My prayer is that with this senior class we will continue to be soft and sensitive clay in our Father's hands, wanting nothing more than to know Him more, and to passionately follow His leadership by serving people for His Kingdom.

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

His love endures forever."

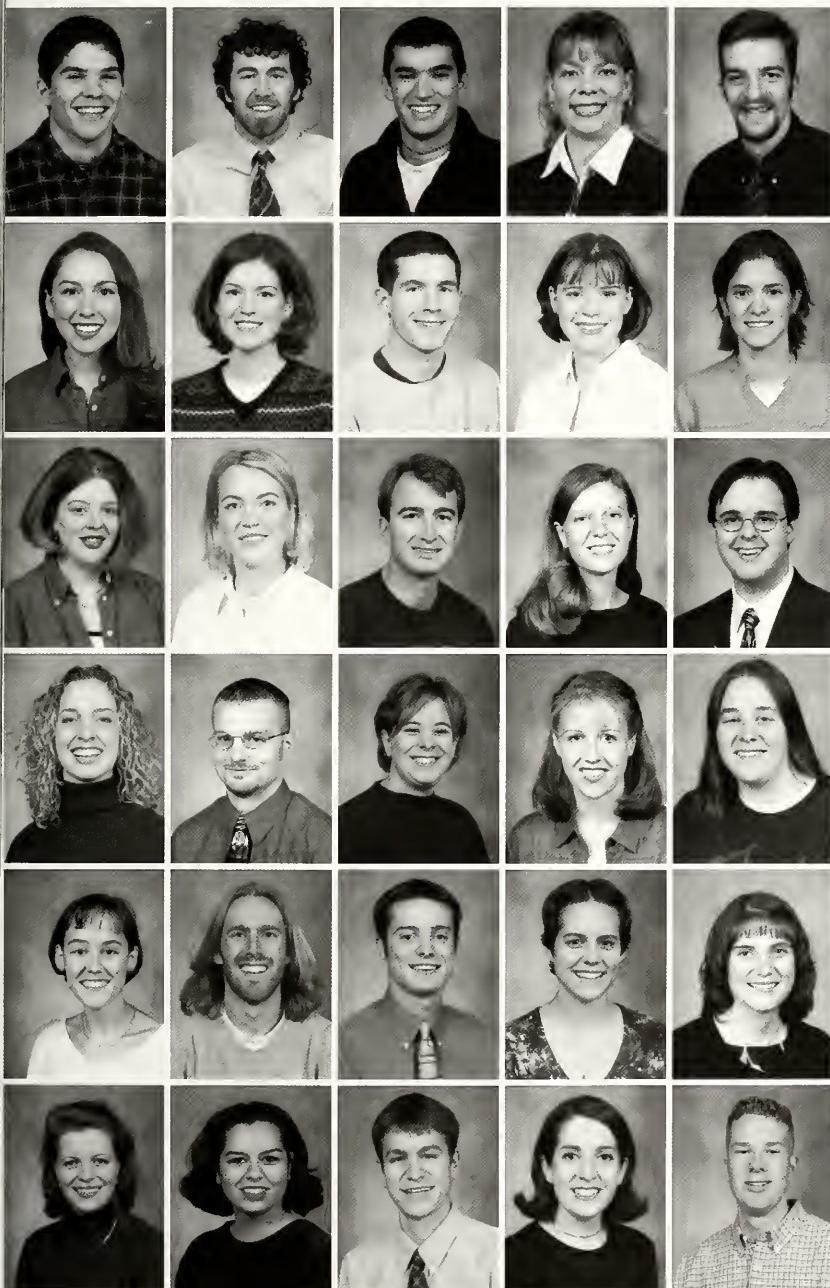
Psalm 136:1

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Laura Rupp, Environmental Biology
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Christina Rutigliano, Elementary Education
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senior reflections

by sandy fyffe



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Amanda Shank,
Elementary Education



Eric Shaw, Social Work
Stacy Shearer,
Communication Studies



Sarah Shoesmith,
Business Administration
Karen Shrieve,
Communication Studies



Luke Simpson, Business Administration Systems
Matthew Sjoberg,
Biblical Literature



Jeremy Smith,
Environmental Biology
Jessica Smith,
Environmental Biology



Kimberly Smith, English
Nichole Smith,
Christian Education

The past four years at Taylor have meant more to me than a few short paragraphs can describe. I came as an average Christian, and I am leaving stronger, knowing why I claim Christianity. I came with fresh wounds from hurtful relationships, and I am leaving with a better understanding of relationships and a handful of friends that will be true for eternity come distance, hardship or misunderstanding. I came as Sandra Lynn Buehler, and I am leaving as Sandra Lynn Fyffe. The changes in my life have been significant and bear witness to the faithful hand of God.

A wise word of advice was given to me by my youth pastor's wife when I graduated from high school. She told me not to settle for being spoon-fed but to take an active role in my education and experiences. As we all know, Taylor is not the summer camp it feels like for the first couple weeks. The more you put into it, the more you will get out of it. As I reflect now, the times that have been the most meaningful to me were the late-night heart-to-hearts with dear friends (and the exhaustion the next day), experiencing everything from various service opportunities to a weekend in Chicago with a group of nutty music majors, early morning meetings with God and the pride of holding a (just in time!) finished paper. I have been blessed beyond belief with the privilege to attend Taylor.

As I leave knowing that I can't stay forever (though I'd like to!), I take with me the nourishment received from a Christ-centered community. I take with me knowledge and pray for understanding and wisdom. I take with me a husband with whom I have committed to loving and serving those around us. I take the lessons I've learned and the experiences I've had and pray that God will use them and will continue to bless and impact Taylor students with the wonder of His faithfulness.

senior reflections

by kira stoltenberg

The people walking offstage clutching their hard earned diplomas are leaving Taylor much changed from the anxious freshmen who arrived four years ago. As freshmen we entered with many expectations about the next four years. As a senior looking back, I realize that most of what I learned was not expected at all.

Being a student at Taylor has presented me with many opportunities. I have lived on a wing with forty other women, in another country, in an apartment and in a house with six other truly beautiful ladies. These living situations presented their own different opportunities as well. Taylor taught me both in the classroom and out.

I entered Taylor on fire for Social Work and perused it for all four years. When I entered Taylor I expected to have all of my questions answered. I am leaving with many more questions but an understanding that there are few black and white issues. It is not just okay, but good, to struggle through these issues. Our professors gave us knowledge and, at the same time, challenged us to think and to see many different perspectives. I also learned from my peers.

God has taught me so much about himself through different friendships I have made through Taylor. Some friends just remained acquaintances, some were close but eventually drifted away and others will remain friends for a lifetime. The Bible describes different attributes of God, and I have experienced them to a certain degree during prayer and quiet time. However, those attributes have become most real and personal to me through the example of friendship.

Friends from all levels can reveal God's character. It might be an acquaintance who genuinely smiles at you when you are having a bad day or a friend who you know you can call at three in the morning if you need to talk. Simple acts that we do as a friend are a reflection of God's love. Relationships, like God, are very mysterious to me.

There is much joy found in both giving and receiving friendship.

My friends at Taylor have taught me about God's love which is patient and perseveres. In the Bible God gives us examples of using brothers and sisters in Christ when dealing with confrontation. God used Paul to confront the Corinthians in love. My friends have truly taught me the delicate line of confronting in love. After it was over I still knew they loved me, yet I realized the need to change an area in my life. My friends helped me to understand how God desires to change us in a loving manner.

Taylor has provided me with many opportunities that have opened my eyes to solidify my identity in Christ and expand my world view. My professors have taught me how to challenge things from a faith-based perspective and have reinforced this in their own lives and their interactions with us. My friends have also taught me about being created in the image of God. I am sad to leave Taylor and my relationships here, but I do not look back with regret. Taylor was a very important step that has equipped me to move forward as a better servant of Christ in every aspect of my life.

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Cathleen Sopciak,
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Gerald Stanley,
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Gretchen Stanley,
Elementary Education



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Allison Stevens,
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Tonya Strubhaar,
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Tiffany Sutton, Biology
Lisa Sweeney, Music
Erin Syswerda,
Communication Studies
Karen Tanner, Athletic Training
Matthew Taylor, Chemistry



Rachel Taylor,
Sociology
Jill TenHarmsel
Kiki Thalacker, Psychology
Jody Thompson,
Chemistry Education
Michelle Thompson,
Elementary Education



Emily Tipton,
Communication Studies
Joel Top
Byron Turnage,
Business Administration
Josh Uecker,
Mass Communication
Andrew Valpatic,
Computer Science Systems



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Stephanie Vandenberg, Business
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Heather VanMeter, Art Education
Elisabeth VanRyn
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Sarah West, Mathematics Education
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Laura Wilder, Psychology
Michael Wilhoit, Chemistry, Environmental Science

Dana Wilson, Elementary Education
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Sara Winne

But what does community mean, and more specifically, who is it comprised of? This is the opportunity I've been waiting for.

— mark lora

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— sandy fyffe

**So that's what I leave you with
your identity as a child of God.
There is no greater calling.**
— mark mohriang



Keri Worcester, Social Work
Aaron Young



Holly Zann, Psychology
Jennifer Zeak,
Psychology, Spanish



Rachel Zerkle, Art Education
Kevin Zimmerman,
Business Administration

**Each of you has been my instructor,
and this is my attempt to share
all good things
with you.**
— matt rohrs

**I know these friendships I formed
will last a lifetime,
even if only
through prayers for one another.**
— melissa campbell

senior reflections by mark lora

TAYLOR is community. Yes, we've all heard this acclamation hundreds of times. In fact, I've "preached" this sermon on numerous occasions during my time as a campus tour guide. But what does community mean, and more specifically, who is it comprised of? This is the opportunity I've been waiting for. Allow me, for a moment, to salute those who have held the light along our path through TAYLOR. Here I offer a token of gratitude to those who have illuminated our Christian lives and made our TAYLOR careers unforgettable:

Thanks to Dr. Charles for teaching me to love the Lord my God with all my MIND. He urged us to avoid the anti-intellectualism that often pervades popular Christianity.

Thanks to Dr. Farmer for preparing our hearts for corporate worship.

Thanks to Dr. Heth for teaching the New Testament with unparalleled excitement! (And for teaching us not to water-ski on one leg.)

Thanks to Linda, the cleaning lady, for cleaning where no Wengatz man had cleaned before—the bathroom.

Thanks to Andre Broquard for his guidance.

Thanks to Dr. Davis for blessing us with 32 notes on the banjo. Thank you for playing anything with strings.

Thanks to Mickey for looking the other way once or twice.

Thanks to whomever was in charge of changing the name from Personal Touch Staff (PTS) to CREW. Now if we could only work on PROBE.

Thanks to Dr. White for opening his home up for weekly Bible studies (we needed to get away from the dungeon somehow).

Thanks to Dr. Siler for the enthusiasm that he brought to the classroom. You truly teach unto God! (In a second!)

Thanks to Beth and Rick Muthiah for taking me under their wings. Your abode was my home away from home.

Thanks to the infinite wisdom of someone in the administration for taking down the "Flexing of Florida." Its presence has not been missed.

Thanks to Dr. Shultz for using his musical gifts to ornament our chapel addresses.

Thanks to Professor Collymore for impressing upon us the significance that the Old Testament holds in our Christian walk. (Thanks also for letting me date one of the "sisters.")

Thanks to Jan Hagar for illuminating the Admissions office with your encouraging and comforting smile while you were with us.

Thanks to Paul Lightfoot for adorning our campus with God's florid creation.

Finally, thanks to Jay for being a president that we could all approach. Thank you for leading us.

first bergwall

cheering them on



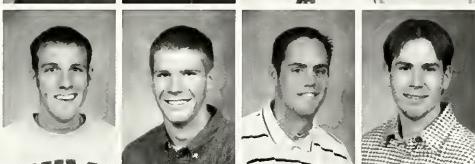
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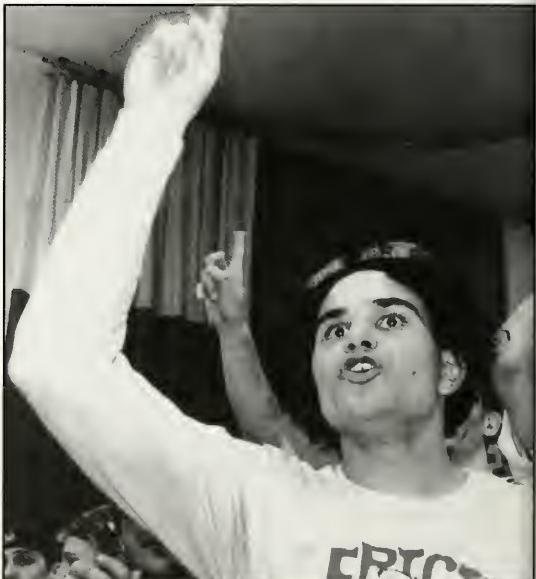
Aaron Smith
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Seth Wilson

The students at Mississinewa High School in Gas City often see a unique cheering section at their football and basketball games. The guys from First Bergwall have been supporting them for the past two years — hosting tailgate parties, performing their own cheers, laying down and spelling "MHS" with their bodies on the court at halftime and planning an annual open house in the school's honor.

"We get requests for cheers," senior and First Berg PA Dave Kauffman says. The MHS students love it. They even reserve seats for First Berg in the students' section at the games. Senior John Aoun says, "We get to influence these high school kids in a good way while having a blast on the weekend."

by Kristy O'Neal

Brian Smith



Eric Davis

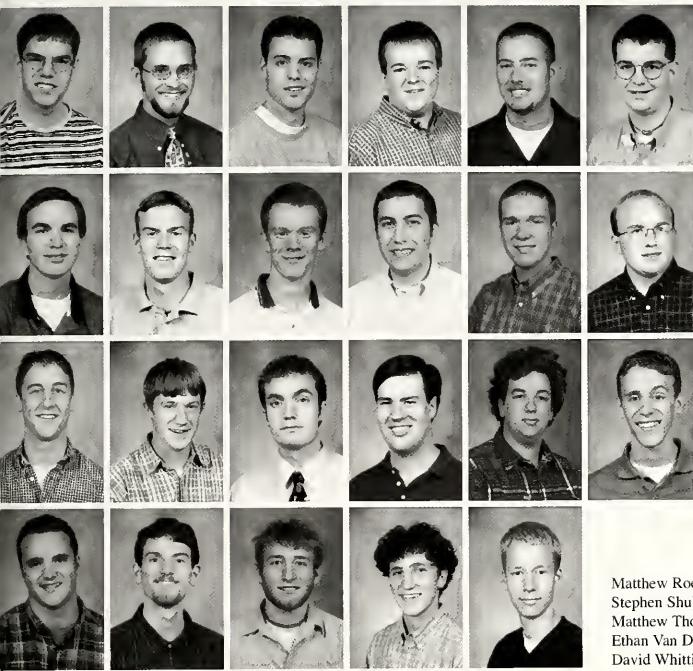


a big fan

(top) Senior Dave Kauffman cheers on Mississinewa's Indians at a sectional game against Blackford's Bruins. Mississinewa won 59 to 35.

tattoo

Freshman Ben "Big Mike" Wickstra gives freshman Colleen Campbell a fake tattoo in his room, decorated as a tattoo parlor, at the First Berg Mississinewa open house. Approximately 350 people attended, including Mississinewa students and faculty.



David Allison
Eric Barnes
Kevin Biederman
Robert Bley
Craig Childs
Andrew Cook

David Culley
Jason Cussen
Richard Fountain
Dale Gruver
Lucas Hanna
Steven Horn

Joel Hunter
Gregory Johnson
Kelly Jones
J. Luke Kanuchok
Timothy Klein
Brock Maxwell

Matthew Roeber
Stephen Shulze
Matthew Thompson
Ethan Van Drunen
David Whittington

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do-re-mi

(above) Freshman Ethan Van Drunen performs in Second Berg lounge. Van Drunen was one of many impromptu entertainers.

final answer?

Freshmen Jonathan Kurtz (left) and Brock Maxwell practice their game show hosting skills as part of their room's theme, "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?"

by Kristy O'Neal



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Sonnet Alsworth
Meghan Aumiller
Renee Black
Jennifer Bolin
Deborah Butler
Colleen Campbell
Elizabeth Davies



Krista Dennison
Jennifer Fosnaugh
April Gann
Sarah Hayhurst
K. Danielle Head
Jeanette Hensley
Sandra Hernandez



Jenna Keller
Lindsay Keyes
Shannon McCauley
Bethany Nelson
Jenna Pashley
Terri Pickens
Jennie Poppen



Julia Poppen
Noel Randel
Karissa Romine
Brianne Shilling
Christine Skorburg
Lanette Sommer
Lana Sprunger



Julie Sterner
Molly Turner
Jami Wells



third bergwall slam dunk party

By Kristy O'Neal

evan bergwall

Evan H. Bergwall graduated summa cum laude and first in his class from Taylor University in 1939. He then pursued graduate studies at Yale Divinity School, New York University, Emory University and Oxford University.

Bergwall became president of Taylor in 1951. Both the faculty and board

were extremely divided over a disagreement, and the university's financial situation was unstable. Bergwall reluctantly accepted the office and invited Milo A. Rediger to return as academic dean soon after.

Bergwall resigned in 1959 to return to the Methodist ministry. Wilbur Cleveland, former editor of the Taylor Magazine and other university publications, wrote, "During his years at Taylor, Dr. Bergwall became deeply appreciated by alumni and many other friends of the university for his intellectual and spiritual leadership, deep sincerity and devotion to the strengthening of Taylor's entire program." Bergwall Hall, named in honor of President Bergwall, was built in 1989.



a great
cloud
of witnesses

The women of Third Bergwall know how to watch an NCAA basketball tournament game — with a big screen TV, lots of foods and tons of friends. On March 16, they did just that, with their second annual March Madness open house.

Along with the big screen TV, video projector and stereo set up for the game, the women decorated the lounge with streamers and team logos. The decorations extended down the hall as well. "Each room is given a different team, and they decorated with the teams' logos and colors," junior Julie Sterner explains.

Local restaurants donated food, including pizza, subs and meal vouchers, and the women organized shooting games to see who would win the vouchers.

According to Sterner, many people attended the event — more than last year. She estimates, "A few hundred came through."

— by Kristy O'Neal —

you did it!

Elizabeth Smith accuses her date, Andy — a friend from home, and Megan Johnson on the 4th Berg mystery dinner pick-a-date.

fourth bergwall murder and intrigue



Anna Parrish



The students who participated in the Fourth Bergwall formal pick-a-date in December weren't exactly themselves — each person was given a role to play as part of a mystery dinner.

The mystery was set in a train car in 1930s Paris, so participants wore period clothes, many in keeping with their character. Junior Sheryl Thrush loved the costumes. "The best thing about it was getting to dress up," she says. Thrush's character was named Mary, an artsy writer. Her date, junior Sam Hartman, played a fighter pilot and war hero, but he was also smuggling guns to Germans and running a prostitution ring.

After the meal and mystery, many couples went roller-skating in their costumes, and this activity was Hartman's favorite part. "I really liked the roller-skating," he says. "I haven't been roller-skating in a long time."

— by Kristy O'Neal —

cellar english disco fever

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Many wings have unique events for freshmen orientation, and Cellar English is no exception.

Freshmen are told to meet at the PA's apartment for dinner at the DC and arrive to find the rest of the girls on the wing already there. Upperclassmen are all wearing '70s clothes, and freshmen are given similar outfits, too. Then everyone walks to the DC for dinner and Ivanhoe's for dessert afterwards.

PA Adrienne Brooks thinks the best thing about the evening is "the surprise factor. It's very shocking." She also loves the conversation. "We're developing relationships in our mothers' clothes," she says.

Freshman Lindsey Tatone had a great time, too. She says, "I was totally surprised. It was really cool for freshmen orientation because everyone did it. They didn't make us do it by ourselves."

by Kristy O'Neal



groovin'

Shelley Stonecipher, Kara Gratz, Karin Durtche and Kimberly Baker strike a pose on their way to their '70s dinner.

Kimberly Baker
Adrienne Brooks
Joan Calderwood
Anne Catron
Jaclyn Cline
Sarah Culp



Karin Durtche
Amanda Gonzalez
Kara Gratz
Sherry Hawkins
Amy King
April Lerch



Julie Lutkevich
Melissa Mange
Kimberly Martin
Jessica Peil
Courtney Peters
Erica Schneeweiss



Aynsley Small
Shelley Stonecipher
Lindsey Tatone
Erin Venti
Sarah Wilhoite





Martha Blackford
Alyssa Brown
Heather Brown
Christel Deal
Shenandoah DeRegibus
Katherine Forbes
Alexandrea Gatis

Joy Hammond
Tara Hodapp
Jaime Holzworth
Nelda Kazazi
Anne Konkler
Christina Ladd
Lauren McLaughlin

Angela Ottaviano
Jennifer Pak
Lynnette Peterson
Danielle Rosenow
Joy Santos
Rachel Senti
Connie Sparks

Corinne Taylor
Jessica Thompson
Rachel Tucker
Kimberly Varner
Jamie Vinson

first south english a bad hair day

Glue, hair gel, sprinkles, highlighters, mascara, spray paint. Pick-a-date. Hair styling and guys. Strange combination?

Not for First South English. This creative wing had a quick pick in which dates created hair styles for each other. And they were allowed to use any materials they could think of. Freshman Lauren McLaughlin says, "One guy had spray paint on his head and sprinkles on top, so he looked like a cupcake."

Another member of First South was asked to lay on the ground with her hair spread out in a fan. Then, it was sprayed until it stayed in place.

Members of First South were notified of the plans for the evening the day before the date. McLaughlin says that the group was fairly skeptical. "But it turned out to be really fun," she says.

When the beauty shop portion of the quick pick was over, the group headed to Wal-Mart where each participant picked out a cup to buy. They then took the cups back to English lounge and ate ice cream in them.

by Kendra Beutler



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— **stylin'** —
Freshman Aaron Mills is intent on his custom-created hairstyle for freshman Danielle Rosenow.

Bethany Baldwin
Courtney Conroy
Pamela Coulter
Heather Gillespie
Erin Gividen



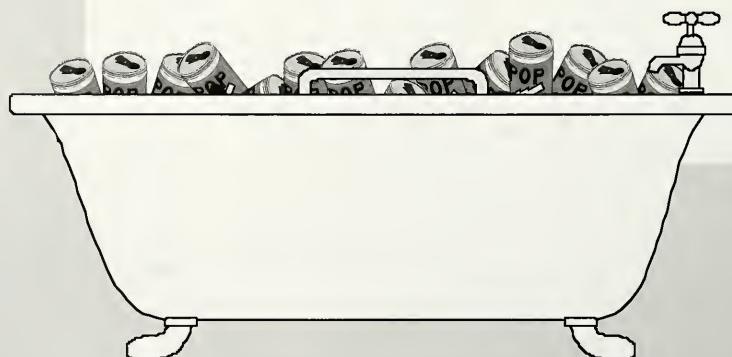
first north english bathtubs, soda and the christmas open house

Though most wings in English don't decorate very much for the hall's Christmas open house, INE has a tradition wrapped up in the decorating. And it involves the bathroom.

For the three years senior PA Bethany Baldwin has lived on the wing, the tradition has been the same. The women of INE pull couches, string lights and decorate their bathroom. But the highlight of it all lies in the bathtub, which is filled to the brim with chilling sodas. Baldwin says, "After the cleaning ladies clean the tub, we don't use it until the open house, then we put drinks in it."

Christmas is a big event for INE. And decorating the bathroom makes it memorable to others. Baldwin says, "It's just known that we do it. And we're basically the only ones that decorate."

by Kendra Beutler



second south english wrestlemania

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When Second South English PA Linnea Goddard started thinking about how much fun guys seem to have wrestling, she decided that girls could have just as much fun. So from that came the Second South Wrestling Federation. It involves four separate events: thumb wrestling, arm wrestling, leg wrestling, and full body contact wrestling.

Linnea, the "Twisting Terror," says that women from the wing were allowed to enter as many categories as they wanted. The tournament was single elimination and the best two

out of three rounds determined winners for the first three categories. For the full body contact division, the winner was determined by sudden death — whoever pinned the other first was the winner. Nasty tactics like biting, hair pulling and purposely aiming for sensitive areas were outlawed. The contestants wrestled for a maximum of ten minutes per bout. If neither were pinned by that time, the winner was determined by a best three out of five game of rock-paper-scissors.

This year's proud champions were: freshman Kat Loutrel in the thumb wrestling division, sophomore Martha Burrus for her powerful arms, leg wrestling went to junior Stephanie Webber, and full body contact was taken away by none other than the "Twisting Terror" herself, Linnea. "I won on my defensive skills," Linnea claims, "I never pinned anyone — I guess I'm just really good at rock-paper-scissors!" The final bout in that match was with Carrie Swinburne, a.k.a. the "Fast Forward Frenzy."

— by Justin McLaughlin —

stone cold

Freshman Carrie Swinburne, the "Fast Forward Frenzy," tries to strike fear into the hearts of her opponents. Swinburne was second runner-up in the full body contact division.



Tara Allison
Martha Burrus
Holly Davis
Sarah Flagel
Emily Glass
Linnea Goddard
Rebekah Greenhoe

Christine Jones
Callie Kaphaem
Tiffanie Klud
Betsy McWhorter
Sarah Merzig
Heather Rattray
Elizabeth Ray

Abbi Rundus
Kara Scifert
Carrie Swinburne
Stephanie Webber
Natalie Whattoff
Ginnie Wischart
Jennifer Wood



smack down

DC Callie Kaphaem and PA Linnea Goddard are pumped for the 2SWF wrestling tournament.

second center english

study hard, play hard



For most students, studying is hard work, so the women of Second Center English get together weekly for study breaks. Hosted each week by a different set of roommates, these breaks have been a tradition for the past two years. "Everyone comes to relax and chat for a while, sort of a 'regrouping' time," PA Laura Rosenwinkel says.

These women played the roommate game and celebrated holidays. They had visits from Jay and a massage therapist. But what they do is not as important as the fact that they are together. "I personally enjoy them because it's rare that we get the entire wing together all at once," Rosenwinkel says.

by Kristy O'Neal

Kristen Ahrens
Crystal Bailey
Laura Baldwin
Kirsten Brown
Elisabeth Doot
Natalie Ellis
Emily Farray

Allison Isler
Tara Kosinski
Alison Maffey
Elizabeth Manthei
Cathleen McClanahan
Jill Nalywaiko
Katie Pangborn

Karen Penner
Leandra Phillips
Laura Rosenwinkel
Dory Schmidt
Sheryl Werntz
Sarah Winfrey
Lynn Zobrist



by Kristy O'Neal

mary tower english



Mary Tower English, of Fort Wayne, was a major benefactor of Taylor University. Between 1968 and 1975, she

gave approximately \$250,000 to the university. Her husband Calvin, a physician and 1884 graduate of the Fort Wayne College of Medicine, was also a benefactor, along with daughter and son-in-law, Elizabeth and William Mitchell, for whom the Mitchell Theatre in the Rupp Communication Arts Center, was named.

English Hall was built in 1975 and named in honor of Mary Tower English. Along with Haakensen Health Center, it replaced the Magee-Campbell-Wisconsin Dormitory, which was demolished due to safety concerns.

a great
cloud
of witnesses

“
Everyone comes
[to the weekly
study breaks] to
relax and chat for a
while, sort of a
‘regrouping’ time.
— Laura

Rosenwinkel,
Second Center PA



Laura Elliott
Amy Hauschildt
LeAnne Holdman
Bethany Kemp
Elizabeth Konkler
Christina Kreikebaum



Allison Kura
Amanda Patty
Sarah Poff
Emily Price
Kathryn Schroyer
Brooke Schupra



Nikole Smith
Betsy Swart
Deanna Trump
Molly Williams
Rebecca Woolmington

second north english in the middle of a cornfield



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a-maze-ing

Second North wingmates and their dates stop for ice cream after finding their ways through a maze in a cornfield.

Second North English wanted to do something different for a pick-a-date this year. When junior PA Laura Newton heard about "Cornfusion," she decided that it would make a great choice for her wing's fall pick-a-date.

Newton says, "It was really fun."

Cornfusion is a church-sponsored event that is used to raise money. The church makes a giant maze out of a field of corn, then lets groups come and try to find their ways through it. Newton says, "It was out in the middle of nowhere, obviously, in the middle of a cornfield."

When the group arrived, they set out in groups of two, four and six. Each group was given a flag to hold up if they got lost. Also, along the way there were stations with mailboxes containing jokes and corn trivia. When a group finally made its way to the end of the maze about an hour and a half later, it got the chance to ring a large bell. Then the whole group joined together again to enjoy a campfire.

The most memorable part of the night for Newton was "a tiny fender-bender on the way there involving two of the cars." Luckily, there were no injuries.

The group enjoyed the rest of the night in safety. Newton says, "I think the PA next year will do it again."

by Kendra Beutler

third south

Hillary Boss
Charlotte Bradstreet
Stephanie Cates
Tanesha Eldridge
Stacey Fuller
Angela Gordon
Sarah Kehlenbeck



Erin Kerber
Faith Kinnebrew
Victoria Laughlin
Melissa Masek
Alison Mathews
Amber McClure
Ja'Niece McCraw



Karen Phelps
Chelsea Plumb
Nicole Sampley
Hannah Seppanen
La'Tonya Taylor
Stephanie Teeters
Kristin Westerfield



third center

Christianna Brown
Julie Cooper
Whitney Fry
Brianna Hedrix
Allison Hoekstra
Kari Keesling
Bethany Lasater



Leah McPheron
Bethany Morton
Allison Pizzi
Jennifer Read
Michelle Renich
Megan Ritter
Lucinda Robinson



Mandi Schrock
Marissa Shrock
Jennifer Smith
Lindsey Smyth
Christine Steinbacher
Katherine Stirdivant
Renee Stoller



Ayumi Takarabe
Laura Vaughan
Kristin Vince
Michelle Vollmann
Kimberly Weston
Amy Young





reach

Senior Matt Taylor demonstrates his agility. Broomball is played on an ice-skating rink, although the participants don't wear skates.

third floor english it's all fun and games

Tradition is a big part of Third English. Like previous years, the floor held its annual broomball pick-a-date. This year's event, held on Nov. 20, began differently for each wing. After eating at the DC, Third North ladies and their dates got together for a "dessert party" in the English Hall lounge and decorated their brooms. Third Center took the date on the road early, having supper at Dick Clark's American Bandstand. And Third South couples ate on the wing. After eating, everyone met at the ice arena in Indy, which they had reserved to play their yearly game.

With decorative brooms in hand, the teams warmed up outside the rink by doing jumping jacks and other exercises. Once on the ice, the teams raced around trying to see who could sweep the most balls into the goal. During one round, all of the players were tied to their dates, making it much more difficult to get around. When their two-hour reservation was up, they separated ways. Discussing the group she left with, Ja'Niece McCraw, Third Center PA, says, "It was the best time ever. After broomball, a group of us went to Steak 'N' Shake, which was so much fun."

by Brenda Vergara

clean sweep

Jonathan Foster and Karen Phelps show off their brooms at Broomball '99.

photo provided



**— relax —**

Freshman Katy Davis, sophomore Molly Taylor and freshmen Kara Adams and Michelle Brate soak in the Holtjes' hot tub.

— tearing it up —

Freshmen Erin VanBuren and Michelle Brate smile before taking a spin on the four-wheeler.



third north english

getting away from it all

Third North English PA Melissa Holtje wanted to plan a spring retreat for her wing, but she wanted to surprise her wingmates, too. So, on May 12, with bags packed for the weekend, they loaded into cars and followed their PA. Holtje drove the long way around the loop, her destination being the gym parking lot, but her wingmates didn't know that. "With every turn, the girls in my car got quieter and quieter," Holtje says.

When they arrived at the gym, Holtje's father was waiting with her family's RV. Once everyone and all the bags were inside, he drove to Holtje's home in Racine, Wisconsin. Holtje says this trip, taking almost five hours, was the farthest Third North has ever gone for a wing retreat.

The women spent the weekend riding the Holtjes' four-wheeler, tanning, soaking in the hot tub, shopping at outlet malls and watching movies. Saturday morning included a special devotional time, where Holtje handed the women letters they had written to Jesus in the fall. After reading them over and reminiscing, they each wrote a second letter.

The entire weekend was very meaningful, according to Holtje. "We've never done a spring retreat before," she says, "and I think it was the best time to come together and reaffirm what this year was about."

by Kristy O'Neal

Kara Adams
Michelle Brate
Elissa Brooks
Kathryn Davis
Christin Easterhaus
Emily Engelbert



Aurelia Fisher
Heidi Fuoss
Kathryn Gustafson
Melissa Holtje
Brandi Jensen
Bernice Kidiiga



Jennifer Klaver
Jamie-Lyn Maaz
Molly Taylor
Katherine Tucker
Erin Van Buren





TiaMarie Bradshaw
Holly Buda
Stephanie Campbell
Ashley Clark
Whitney Cross
Elizabeth Dunnire



Lesley Garvin
Erin Hall
Jennifer Hess
Christina McDougall
Rachel Mead
Robin Miller



Gina Parks
Heather Reimer
Danara Schurz
Lezlie Slusher
Lindsey Taylor
Krista Vanney



Katherine Williamson
Heather Willman
Shannon Wyatt
Amanda Zagorski
Carrie Zuhle



Eric Davis

— word games —

Katie Hann, Justin O'Rourke, Christine Pierce, Cliff Robbins and Ben Moore play Scrabble in Gerig's lounge. Hall residents often spend time together in the lounge.

second gerig part of a family

Life in Gerig Hall centers around the hall lounge. Junior Christine Pierce, a member of Second Gerig, says, "It's definitely a family atmosphere." Gerig Hall is known for its family-like feel. Pierce says that the hall does many things together, including wing dinners, pick-a-dates and other activities. She says, "I'm in the process of planning an activity right now."

The lounge is also an important part of Gerig life. Pierce says, "There's always someone down in the lounge, whether they're watching TV, playing Scrabble or Trivial Pursuit or cooking." Senior Emily Wilson says that the lounge is also used to "talk, hang out and goof around."

Freshman Mia Roker says, "It's small, and so I know everybody that lives here."

by Kendra Beutler

third & fourth gerig a very gerig christmas

Eric Davis



— american graffiti —

Heather Baker adds her personal touch to the graffiti wall in a third floor suite. The wall was part of the suite's Central Park theme.

Ask anyone on campus, and they'll probably tell you that the event Gerig Hall is best known for is its annual Christmas open house. Every year for the past six years, the Gerig men and women have entertained the Taylor community with bands, games, themes, coffee and costumes. This year's event was held on Nov. 30, and the second floor focused on traditional Christmas, the fourth floor looked at Christmas in the future and the third floor was the transition between the two with Christmas in New York and a New Year's Eve party.

They even dropped a ball down all four floors and threw confetti and balloons at midnight to celebrate the month change from November to December, and two men played "Auld Lang Syne" on the trumpet and saxophone.

Second floor PA Michelle Hershberger has been involved for the past three years and says her favorite attraction is "Sumo Santa" on the fourth floor. David Larson, fourth floor PA, has another favorite event — "Dr. Spiegel's guest appearance in the eggnog-drinking contest."

— by Kristy O'Neal —



Eric Davis

Eric Davis



— sumo santa —

(above) Santa Justin O'Rourke wrestles in the fourth floor's "Sumo Santa" attraction. This event was one of the most popular of the evening.

— christmases past —

Rachel Mead and Mandy Zagorski played Othello dressed as a nun and monk because of their suite's medieval theme.

third floor



Lisa Andreassen
Renee Aukeman
Heather Baker
Angela Batluk
Bethany Bishop
Elizabeth Byers



Bridget Carlson
Sarah Detwiler
Rebekah Doerksen
Janessa Futtrell
Janelle Gomes
Bethany Gullickson



Lori Jackson
Suzanne Johnson
Lynn Kenny
Shannon Keyes
Leah Klein
Alicia Lehman



Heidi Lesner
Gwen Ludeman
Suzanne Page
Sarah Phillips
Michelle Sessoms
Rebekah Stratton



Cheryl Tjepkes
Susan VanHouten
Deborah Veen
Danielle Walker
Jennifer Walters

fourth floor



Abram Bicksler
Andrew Bierlein
Benjamin Cabanaw
Douglas Carr
Kenneth Elisapana
Jesse Esbeck



Brent Gerig
Eric Grashorn
David Larson
Jeffrey Luginbill
Zachary Moir
Jonathan Rodriguez



Brian Veen
William Winner

Fourth floor is
always my
favorite part,
because they
do such a
good job.
They're so
creative.
— Michelle
Hershberger

first east olson surprise, surprise!

Co-PAs Megan Bohm and Jen Platek have both lived on First East Olson for the past three years, and each wanted to say good-bye to the wing in a special way. "We wanted to do something really special for them, and we thought it would be fun to keep it a surprise," Bohm explains.

They chose May 5 for the special event and told their wingmates to keep the date open, then began making plans. Bohm and Platek contacted parents to ask for financial contributions and a special letter to each daughter. The parents' help made a big difference.

Bohm says, "We had a

great response, and we are so thankful to the parents for all their contributions and help in the whole thing."

The week before May 5, Bohm and Platek posted clues about their plans. "Everyday they would hover over the door to see what the next clue was," Bohm says. "All they knew was to dress up and that we were going out for dinner and to bring stuff to spend the night." The evening

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began with the arrival of a photographer to take any pictures the women wanted. Then they traveled to the Holiday Inn in Anderson for dinner, a special program and the rest of the night.

Freshman Brooke Stewart was very surprised. "It was a good time for us to get to know each other more, to have fun and get away from school," she says.

— by Kristy O'Neal —

Katy Benhardus
Megan Bohm
Brita Bobyl
Mary Burke
Angela Campbell
Bethany Cart
Sarah Colley
Jessica Cotant



Courtney Elder
Polly Forrester
Desiree Gruber
Lauren Hegner
Emily Honett
Mercy Kumar
Katharine MacHarg
Tara McCoy

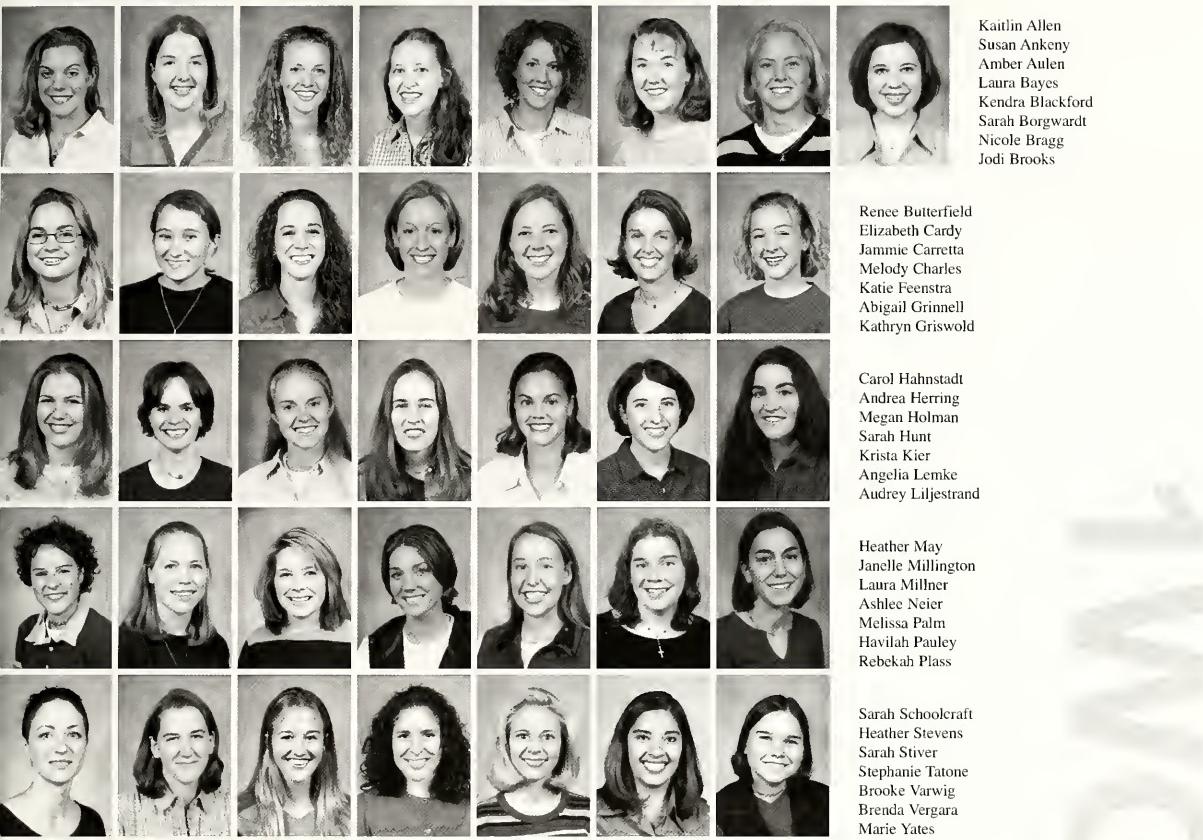


Erin Miller
Rachael Neier
Jennifer Platek
Kristen Prillwitz
April Rediger
Julie Rubel
Laura Ruehleman
Sheila Sanjane



Amy Schultz
Megan Shauck
Emily Sjostrom
Mary Snow
Brooke Stewart
Christina Wierengo





Kaitlin Allen
Susan Ankeny
Amber Aulen
Laura Bayes
Kendra Blackford
Sarah Borgwardt
Nicole Bragg
Jodi Brooks

Renee Butterfield
Elizabeth Cardy
Jammie Carretta
Melody Charles
Katie Feenstra
Abigail Grinnell
Kathryn Griswold

Carol Hahnstadt
Andrea Herring
Megan Holman
Sarah Hunt
Krista Kier
Angelia Lemke
Audrey Liljestrand

Heather May
Janelle Millington
Laura Millner
Ashlee Neier
Melissa Palm
Havilah Pauley
Rebekah Plass

Sarah Schoolcraft
Heather Stevens
Sarah Stiver
Stephanie Tatone
Brooke Varwig
Brenda Vergara
Marie Yates

first west olson

home away from home

Sometimes it's helpful to have a real home to visit when you are away at college. Chuck and Shirley Moore have been providing that home to the members of First West Olson for many years now. "The Moores act as our grandparents away from home. They're always there for us and encourage us along our journey here," freshman Susan Ankeny says.

The Moores, missionaries in residence with OMS International, host Thanksgiving dinner and a Christmas party each fall, and Shirley makes Christmas ornaments for each person. They also sit with First West in chapel and make cookies during Finals Week, in addition to working with Students Concerned Radically About Missions (SCRAM) and Mu Kappa.

The women on the wing really appreciate the Moores' involvement in their lives. PA Laura Bayes, junior, summed up the relationship this way: "First West is the best, don't settle for less" has always been Chuck and Shirley's battle cry for our wing, but in reality we've been blessed with nothing less than the best from them."

by Kristy O'Neal

— with thanksgiving —

Members of First West Olson celebrate Thanksgiving dinner with Chuck and Shirley Moore.



Havilah Pauley

second east olson

row, row, row your boat

photo provided



dripping wet

For these Second East women and their dates, rain combined with being dumped in the river makes for a wet and cold picnic after canoeing.

Every year, hundreds of people show up to watch Taylathon. And every year, the women of Second East Olson go canoeing for a pick-a-date the next day.

The four-year-old tradition is usually well attended, according to PA Carolyn Flick. "About 24 people went this year," she estimates. "The attendance is always good."

When canoeing with friends, sometimes staying in the canoe is the biggest challenge. "Within the first five minutes of being in the river, about every single canoe tipped — with the help of friends, of course," Flick says. Getting dumped into the water can be a blessing, though, especially in inclement weather. "We got rained on a couple times, but no one cared since everyone was wet anyways," Flick explains. "Being wet just made the picnic at the end kind of cold!"

by Kristy O'Neal



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rock the boat

These canoers have to hold on tight as their canoes move closer together.

Julia Abbott
Allison Adcock
Lisa Barber
Rachel Bond
Heidi Bromley
Kathleen Cahill
Abby Cox
Audra DeKorne



Deborah Douglass
Heather Enyeart
Carolyn Flick
Christy Freed
Andrea Goben
Kelly Goben
Carrie Hartzler
Barbie Henderson

Beth Keller
Kristen Kloosterhouse
Amber Kostelný
Stephanie Miller
Jennifer Norris
Andrea Rea
Megan Saylor
Meredith Saylor

Jacqueline Shireman
Sommer Sonnenberg
Jennifer Taylor
Shaenna Umpleby
Molly Wright

second center olson

called to serve

Serving God and serving others is an important part of Second Center Olson's fall wing retreat. Last year they sorted clothes at a mission in Grand Rapids, and this year they worked for Habitat for Humanity in the Detroit area.

A director for Habitat explained to the women what the organization does. Then they split up into three groups to clean completed houses, with their own cleaning supplies.

Because the groups coincided with carloads to the retreat, they each invented a name and a song — the Backstreet Blondes, the Scum Bums, and Dah-dit-dit-dit—dah-dah-dah—Dah-dit-dit-dit.

PA Desi Stutzman thinks the small groups were important to the retreat's success. She says, "It was so great because we got to serve in small groups, learning more about each other as we worked, while helping their community."

by Kristy O'Neal

mean with a mop

Cindy Broberg, Sheri Jardine, Desiree Caldwell, Becky Painter, and Courtney LaPlante, also known as the Backstreet Blondes, get serious about service. These women cleaned a Habitat for Humanity house in the Detroit area while on their wing retreat.



Lorin Addy
Jennifer Arremony
Pamela Bayes
Natalie Bernhardt
Cynthia Broberg
Desiree Caldwell



Emily Chalfant
Anisa Erb
Heather Jagers
Sheri Jardine
Rebecca Juncker
Lauren Knapp



Courtney LaPlante
Jennifer Lucas
Alyssa Lugbill
Rebecca Painter
Kathryn Proto
Allison Quick



Heidi Seymour
Nicole Stavis
Desiree Stutzman
Michelle Toy
Kristen White

photo provided

second west olson

women in black



photo provided

team spirit

The women of Second West Olson pose with their teammates at an intramural football game. Freshman Jessica Bell said they wore war paint to be "pumped and ready to go."

"North, south, east, west, Second West is the best. We're going to B-E-A-T, beat them, we're going to B-U-S-T, bust them. Beat them, bust them, that's our custom, come on girls, let's readjust them."

Second West's intramural football team is easy to recognize — the girls all wear black shorts, shirts, socks, cleats, hair bows and war paint.

Many women were athletes in high school, so intramurals give them a chance to stay involved in sports. Freshman Jessica Bell says, "The main goal is to have fun and glorify God with it. It's fun to see if you can still hack it."

This year's team ended up in the finals but lost to the off-campus team. According to junior Amy Frederick, 2WO was "the No. 1 on-campus team."

— by Kristy O'Neal —

Rachel Algorri
Jami Bach
Jessica Bell
Kate Bowman
Erin Graham
Jennifer Campbell
Kristin Conn



Emily Hartman
Amanda Hicks
Sarah Hinkle
Erin Hutton
Rachel Martin
Courtney Maxwell
Annette McDaniel

Jamie Otten
Sharon Roberts
Stephanie Rogers
LeeAnne Rousseau
Sarah Sevvers
Abbigayle Spoelman
Karin Staffin

Courtney Taylor
Lindsay Thomas
Jennifer Toll
Emily Vander Wilt
Alison Voorhies
Mindi Wallace



Sarah Beath
Kara Bottiggi
Melissa Brown
Erica Bruenes
Carrie Chivington
Rachel DeHaan
Melanie Domsten

Laura Eib
Sara Erickson
Elaine Halgren
Cheryl Hartong
Karin Hayworth
Bethany Hodge
Lisa Holderead

Heidi Hoopingarner
Erin Johnson
Annelise Larson
Rebecca Marialke
Joy McNary
Amanda Nelson
Christina Rifka

Leah Rukes
Kristin Rupp
Kimberly Shumaker
Heidi Sieling
Amy Simon
Christine Sterling
Kathryn Stoner

Valerie Walters
Holly Weber
Grace White
Mindelynn Young

third east olson brothers and sisters

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Having brother and sister wings is one of those traditions that is unique to Taylor. Some matches don't work out so well, but others seem perfect. Third East Olson and Second Center Wengatz is one of those great matches.

The women of Third East think that God has a lot to do with this success. Laura Esclamado, Third East PA, says, "At the very beginning, we put a lot of prayer into it."

These wings do more than just pray and worship together. They eat dinner together every Tuesday night. And in the fall, they traveled to an apple orchard in Ohio for a brother/sister wing retreat. Women of Third East pray for their brothers, too — each guy has an anonymous secret sister who encourages him regularly with notes.

These girls have found more than a brother wing — they've found lasting friendships. Esclamado says, "A lot of people have made really good friends."

by Kristy O'Neal

on the road
Members of Third East Olson and Second Center Wengatz travel to Ohio for their brother/sister wing retreat.



Catherine Alexander
Kelly Beitzel
Lucinda Bergens
Heather Chase
Ashley Coutant
Jenna Delp
Bethany DeRosa



Erin Diffin
Hannah Fielden
Melissa Godfrey
Tracy Hale
Siby Hill
Sila Hill
Melissa Hubley



Miranda Kirk
Adrienne Lehman
Rachel Lesser
Jennifer Margurten
Sherian Nowlen
Stephanie Peto
Rebecca Rumsey



Lynn Schroeder
Sara Sector
Heather Stephens
Bethany Suriano
Ashley Weaver
Elizabeth Wiegers
Amber Wolfe



third center olson 17-hour pick-a-date

photo provided



Third Center Olson puts a different spin on the traditional Christmas formal pick-a-date — they spend the night together. After dinner at the SAC Christmas banquet, participants attended the ballet, "The Nutcracker," then drove to PA Sara Sector's house. At her house, they hung out and played games throughout the night and had breakfast the next morning before traveling back to campus.

Spending so much time together means the women of 3CO have to be careful about their choices for dates. Sector says most girls choose guys they know well, or guys their friends know well.

Sector likes the activity because, "you get to know your date better than a normal pick-a-date." Sophomore Kelly Beitzel agreed, saying, "The next day you feel like you've made a good friend."

by Kristy O'Neal

— all night long —

Some Third Center pick-a-date participants play games throughout the night, while others try to sleep. This was the wing's second annual sleepover pick-a-date.

“

The next day
you feel like
you've made a
good friend.

— Kelly
Beitzel

third west olson

all dressed up

photo provided

Formal pick-a-dates are nothing new for the women of Third West Olson, but this year they did do something different. Rather than holding it in the spring, as they have in years past, PAs Mandie Cullen and Lindsey VanderWoude decided to make the event a Christmas formal, planning it for Dec. 4, the night of the annual Christmas banquet at the DC.

After eating at the DC, the group headed to Indianapolis to hear the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra's Yuletide Festival. Then they moved on to junior Christina Hart's home in Indianapolis for dessert and a white elephant gift exchange.

Because one wing member's father donated the tickets, the entire evening was very inexpensive, and Cullen thinks this contributed to the event's success. "A large number of girls went, and it was a huge hit because we were able to keep the price around \$12 per couple," Cullen says.

— by Kristy O'Neal —

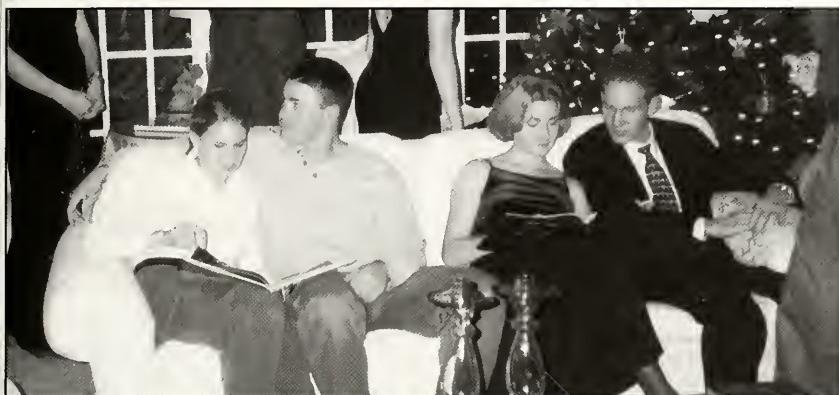


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dressed to kill

Freshman Sarah Nurmi, sophomore Regan Hunt and junior Lindsey VanderWoude pose in front of a Christmas tree during their Christmas formal. The group went to the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra.

dinner, dessert and a symphony?

Candy Kemp, Jamie Ostrander, Rachel Clark and Brad Dillon relax at Christina Hart's house after hearing Indy's symphony orchestra. The group retired there for dessert and a gift exchange.



Kelli Addison
Shonda Augsburger
Kimberley Barve
Kimberly Beesley
Mary Bolhus
Kelli Bowers
Amanda Brown
Virginia Clough

Comfort Coggins
Amanda Cullen
Kendra Cunningham
Jaillene Erickson
Claudia Gallup
Megan Halgren
Christina Hart
Regan Hunt

Candace Kemp
Natissa Kultan
Jennifer Mansell
Karen McCabe
Christine McClanahan
Julie Nor
Sarah Nurmi
Kristy Reed

Amanda Schaffer
Samantha Schley
Becky Stevens
Kathleen Taylor
Jill Terry
Lindsey VanderWoude
Bethany Wiseman
Kellie Young



photos by Eric Davis



changes

new house, new job, new husband

The first month of the school year was filled with new experiences for Lori Holtmann, formerly Bedi. And the diamond ring on her left ring finger didn't have everything to do with it. The changing of her last name was accompanied by a new position at Taylor.

Married on September 11, 1999, Lori Holtmann is the new director of residential housing. After her wedding, which was officiated by Richard Allen Farmer, dean of the chapel, the couple set up house in Upland.

Lori's husband, Chris, is also a new Taylor employee. He was hired as the assistant men's basketball coach. About all of these changes, Lori says, "There were times when it was very, very hectic. Any one of those things is a big, stressful thing. So to do them all at the same time was a little ambitious, but we made it."

That's likely because Lori is a very ambitious woman. A blue-eyed brunette, Lori is a Gordon College graduate who left with a history major and Bible minor. She then got her Masters in student personnel administration from Ball State.

Beginning her professional stay at Taylor in 1995, Lori started here as the Gerig hall director. And after four years in that position, she moved into the director of residential housing position this fall.

However, Lori's experiences in student development didn't just begin when she started working for Taylor. "I was very involved in student development even through college."

So after working closely with college students her first

four years of post-graduate work, Lori does not desire to lose touch with student life at Taylor now. She says that students are her favorite part of both jobs, but she desires more interaction than possible in her new position. Lori adds, "The thing I miss the most about being here in this office is just the flow of students in and out of my apartment. I just loved it—constant activity, constant people."

But that's still obvious in Lori's office demeanor. She's often seen fluttering around the office, talking to employees and students alike. After the photo shoot, she stops to discuss housing with one of the editors. Outside the office, you may see her meet with Chris downstairs in Rediger or sitting amongst students in chapel. She smiles.

Continuing in a different role on the same campus, Lori is excited to learn her job expectations. She also enjoys her closer interaction with Walt Campbell and the entire associate dean staff.

Lori believes that this position will help her grow. She says, "I am a pleaser. I want to bend over backwards to make everyone happy, but I can't. I think it will thicken my skin, and I think that's important. It will mature me, and I think it will help me in the future with being more confident."

With that, Lori's not sure where she'll be in ten years. "I see myself either moving on professionally or being a mother. I say that as if they're mutually exclusive, and I don't know if they are or not. But I know that if I do have a family, I will be committed to that; and if I have my career, I will be committed to that."

by Kristy O'Neal

foundation

an important symbol

Taylor trivia: if you were kidnapped and your ransom was a shovel, where would you live? Answer: Foundation.

The shovel has been Foundation's traditional symbol for about ten years now. According to PA Andy Jacques, the floor first acquired the shovel when several floor members were driving to a retreat and noticed an old shovel lying on the side of the road. They picked it up and cleaned it off, and the shovel has been the floor mascot ever since. It has even been incorporated into the floor logo.

The shovel accompanies the floor to retreats and intramural games. But because people have tried to steal it, it "stays in hiding most of the time," Jacques says.

Two years ago, Foundation's sister wing, Second Center Olson, tried a different tactic to gain possession. The women lured a couple of Foundation floor members outside and kidnapped them, taking the men to The Bank and locking them in the vault. When they demanded the shovel in exchange for the men's release, Jacques says, the floormates told them, "You can keep the guys."

The shovel is important to these men. Jacques says, "It's kind of a rallying point for the floor."

by Kristy O'Neal

Eric Davis



mascot

Upperclassmen on Foundation are responsible for hiding the shovel and keeping it safe from those who try to steal it.

Scott Blackford
Joshua Chapman
Geoffrey Chase
Christopher Corwin
Daniel Grise
Brian Groote



Mark Guinn
Andy Jacques
Benjamin Jeffrey
Joel Jupp
Michael Laman



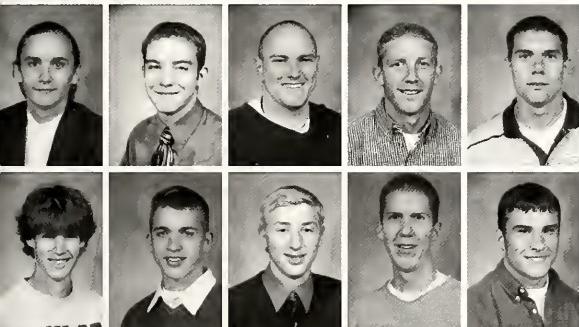
[The shovel's] kind of a rallying
point for the floor.

— Andy Jacques

— pride —

Trever Vander Horst, Justin McLaughlin, Andy Jacques, Jesse Joe Puttanickal and Mark Guinn pose with their wing's symbol, the shovel. In the past, the men of Foundation have placed the shovel's value above that of their own floor-mates.

What do
you want
to do when
you grow
up?



Zachariah Love
Justin McLaughlin
William Meritt
Kenneth Overton
Jeremy Roberts

Kory Russel
James Shortenhaus
Daniel Stoneycipher
Nathan Tucker
Jeffrey Walton

Eric Davis



sammy II lounge lizards lose...again

Most intramural basketball teams play to win, but there's at least one team on the court whose goal is to lose, and have fun doing it. Sammy II's Lounge Lizards dress up in outrageous clothes and try not to win. Usually their costumes have a common theme, such as dresses or superheroes.

First Bergwall team member Dave Kauffman enjoyed playing against the Lounge Lizards, but admits it was somewhat frustrating. He says, "It was a lot of fun. I was distracted, though — I did airball a shot because of the way one guy was dressed."

— by Kristy O'Neal —

out of this world

(above) Sammy II's Lounge Lizards all wear interesting clothes for their intramural basketball games. Junior Tim Walter and freshman Dave Kletzing pulled random items from their closets to put together their uniforms for this game.



Eric Davis

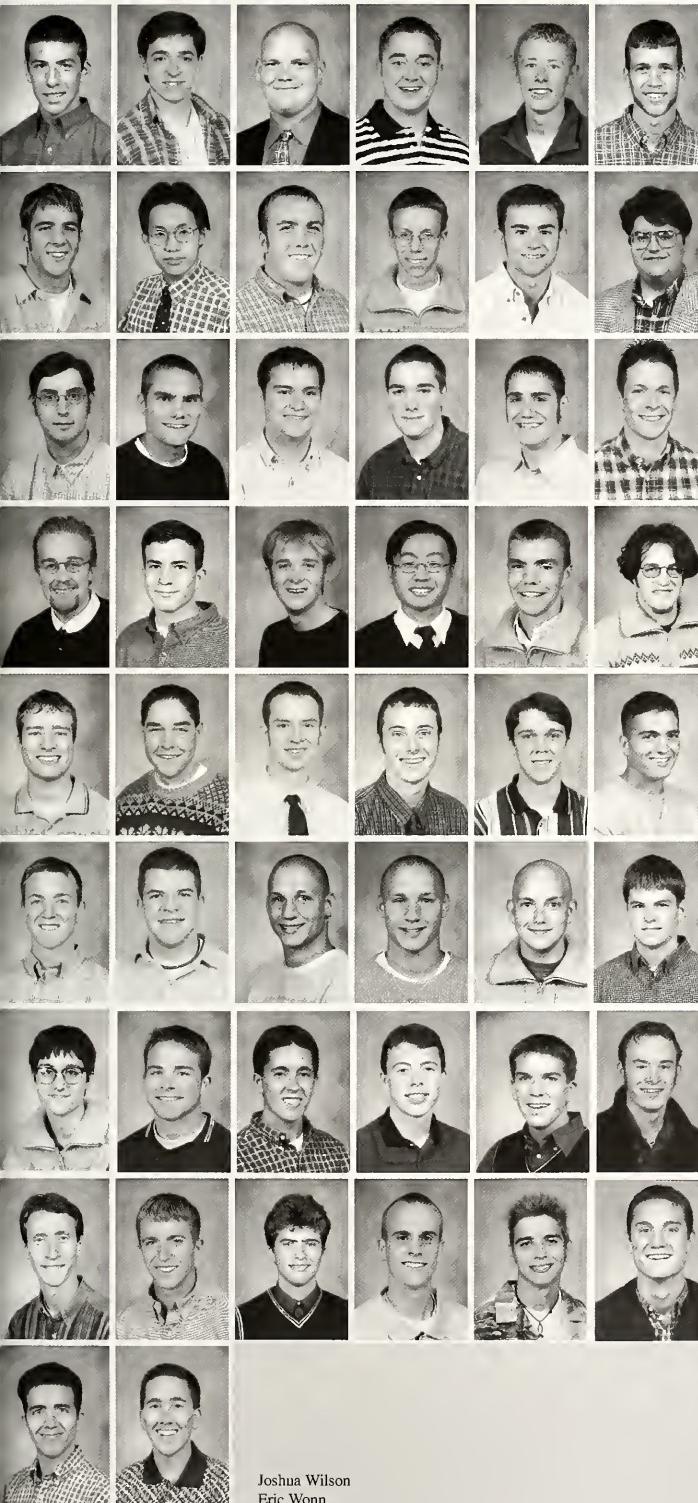


looks like a lady

(above) Sophomore Josh Matko dons a feminine look for this game. He bought the clothes and necklace at a rummage sale because, as he said, "You'll never know when there's a time you'll need a dress and pearls."

newspaper man

(left) Wearing a costume designed by Josh Matko, junior Dave Lula warms up for his game. Matko said the cartoon "Voltron" was his inspiration.



Andrew Albertson
Jared Bakker
William Blease
Joshua Brown
Brian Burns
Benjamin Canida

Matthew Chapin
Jen-Hao Chen
Eric W. Davis
Nathan Demick
Aaron Duke
Theodore Easterly

Benjamin Friedberg
Brad Habegger
David Hall
Andrew Hess
Timothy Hess
James Immordino

David Iula
Daniel Kakish
David Kletzing
Isaiah Koh
Michael Magnussen
Joshua Matko

Daniel Mayer
Scott McDermid
William Murray
Bowdee Nolin
Jason O'Kane
Jacob Parrish

Shaun Peters
Ethan Petro
Matthew Poorman
Michael Poorman
Benjamin Ranfeld
Benjamin Reed

Isaac Reese
Scott Rice
Kyle Satterbiom
Matthew Scott
Bryan Smith
Philip Stevens

Jonathan Tabor
Matthew Tigert
Anthony Van Alstine
Chad VanHill
Joseph Wilhelm
Greg Wilson

Joshua Wilson
Eric Wonn

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We don't
forget to have
fun while
we're playing
basketball.

— Ben Reed

Ted Barnett
Andrew Broucek
Andres Cabezas
Peter Connolly
Nathan Elwell
Jonathan Foster



Matthew Graham
Douglas Harbin
Carl Hass
Timothy Hoeflinger
Ryan Leavitt
Craig Lewis



William Lloyd
Sean Mansell
Andrew McRae
Benjamin Merrill
James Mikolajczyk
Jeffrey Miller



brotherhood

an air of mystery

Anyone on campus will agree there's something different about the Brotherhood. The floor has three leaders — the Snake, the Pope and the Phubbbbbs — but no one off the floor knows exactly how they're chosen or when and how these traditions started.

And to add to the mystery, the members of BroHo won't tell. Given the number of people that have come through Taylor as members of the Brotherhood, this is a pretty amazing feat.

As the newest Phubbbbbs, the five-b Phubbbbbs, freshman Nate Elwell, holds more power than the previous Phubbbbbs, who graduated last spring. The current Pope, Jeff Blosser, has less power than the Phubbbbbs, but more than the Snake, junior Colin Robertson.

But why all the secrets? The Pope explained it this way: "We work for unity, and that's why we keep things secret — to unify us and set us apart; keep us unique."

by Kristy O'Neal



meeting of the minds?

Members of BroHo participate in a tribunal. Tribunals are held to punish those who have sinned against the Brotherhood.



Kurt Morris
Daniel Mostad
Jabin Newhouse
Jason Nieuwsma
Aaron Pegg
Matthew Prentice



Paul Rapley
Jeb Rice
Colin Robertson
Steven Rousopoulos
Scott Shepherd
Lucas Steever



Matthew Thomason
Ryan Venman
Mark Voss
Paul Wagner
David Weber
Ryan Zeeb



Eric Davis



Samuel Morris

Samuel Morris, or Prince Kaboo as his tribe knew him, was sold into slavery at the age of 11. He was constantly beaten by his owner, and as time went by, the beatings got worse. The abuse was eventually so terrible that he could no longer take the pain. His only solution was to escape, and that is exactly what he did.

When Sammy reached the coast, he began working on a coffee plantation, where he learned about Christ from another worker, a young boy.

A lady missionary from the church he was attending began teaching Sammy how to read and write, and about the Gospel. She also gave him the name Samuel Morris. As

soon as he learned the opportunities that were available to him in America, he began asking God to show him how to get there. He arrived in New York not long after.

In New York, Sammy met Stephen Merritt, pastor of a Methodist church. Merritt suggested that Sammy be sent to study at Taylor University, in Fort Wayne, Ind. Despite his broken English and faulty accent, Sammy touched the hearts of Taylor's campus right away.

Thaddeus Reade, Taylor's president at the time, saw immediately why Sammy was so special. He hoped that Samuel Morris would be a blessing to both the school and its students, and that is exactly what he was.

January 1893, two years after having arrived at Taylor, Sammy's body was still unaccustomed to the cold weather. He developed pneumonia and died at St. Joseph's Hospital, in Fort Wayne, May 1893.

His unquestioning faith and "Spirit-filled" life had a great impact on Taylor University and continues as a legacy today.

By Brenda Vergara

a great
cloud
of witnesses

penthouse

roman tradition

Freshmen hazing is illegal at Taylor — but toga initiation isn't. The Friday before the first home game of the year, Penthouse upperclassmen make their floor's freshmen wear togas all day. The next day, the entire floor dons togas as well, to put on a show before the football players arrive on the field.

Freshman Matt Darr enjoyed the entire experience. "I was pretty excited," he says. "It's an excuse to be dumb for a day and have fun doing it." Darr is only one recent participant in a long line of Penthouse men. The toga football tradition dates back as far as the 1970s.

Penthouse PA Steve Klipp believes the event will continue in the future, too. He says, "It's an old Morris tradition that's going to last through the new Morris era."

by Kristy O'Neal

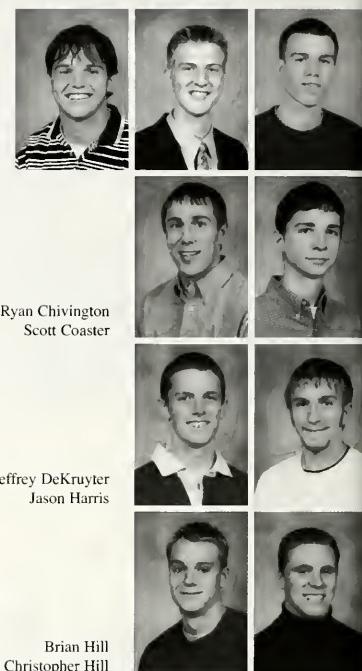
— fumble —

(left) Members of Penthouse tackle each other before the first home football game of the season.



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Scott Albert
Christopher Bierdeaman
Kurt Brodbeck



Ryan Chivington
Scott Coaster

Jeffrey DeKruyter
Jason Harris

Brian Hill
Christopher Hill

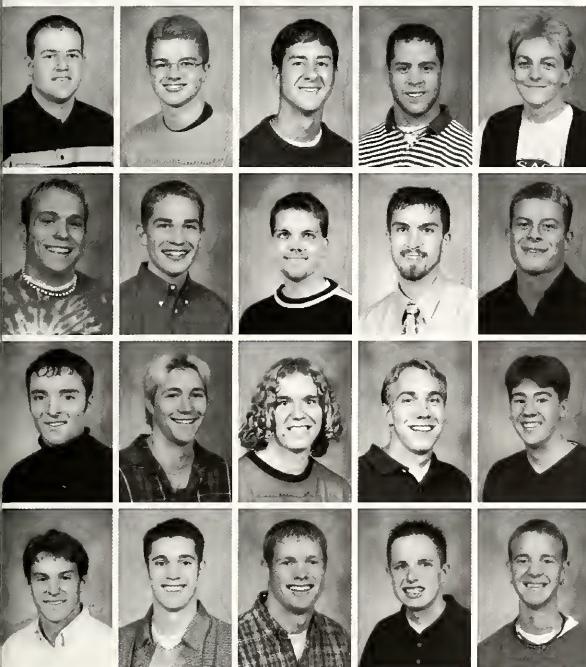
— medic! —

(right) Sophomores Barrett Thomas and Matt Hunt help a roommate out as they drag Trent Miller back to the huddle during the annual Penthouse toga football game.

— ’95 —

It's an old
Morris tra-
dition that's
going to
last
through the
new Morris
era.

— Steve
Klipp



Matthew Hunt
Andrew Keller
Jeffrey Larson
Matthew Laughlin
Brendan Lee

Craig Leffew
Robert Livingston
Michael McBride
Trenton Miller
Brooks Odle

Joshua Olson
Christopher Parker
Steven Price
Bryan Rode
Bryce Runyon

David Schubert
Jared Seaman
Stephen Wardle
Joseph Wheeler
Troy Zimmerman



swallow men & women

first floor

Ashley
Hayford's
death in
January 2000
had a large
impact on
Swallow Robin
Hall and the
Taylor
community.
Her memorial
is on page 37.

Melissa Brockway
Katherine Burkhardt
Ginger Charles
Sarah Eskew
Jessica Kelley
Carrie Lenz
Allison Lynds



Anne Mahan
Marie Murphy
Cynthia Murray
E. Carson Newman
Naomi Poppe
Lauren Sachar
Laura Skinner



Sarah Skinner
Kathleen Skorburg
Bethany Taylor
Tara Woodrum



second floor

William Clough
Noah DeLong
Steven Elwood
Christopher Fauble
Spencer Finley
Jeremy Gates
Jason Hillier



Brian Honett
Thomas Hruska
Anthony Liquori
John McConda
Rodney Miller
Brian Moriarty
Efraim Pfeil



Christopher Schwab
Christopher Taylor
Ryan Woods



third floor

Leslie Bradford
Sarah Erickson
Martha Frank
Elizabeth Geiss
Erica Giegler
Emily Hill
Ruth Hummel



Beth Hunt
Sarah Jones
Sarah Moses
Molly Shaw
Vinita Solomon
Martha Wood



**— party animals —**

Kara Bottiggi and Amanda Nelson investigate room 202. Roommates Aaron Debbink, Nate Epple and Brian Moriarty spent two days blowing up over 1,300 balloons for their floor's entertainment theme.

**bird food**

Ruth Hummel decorates Christmas cookies in room 103. The theme for the first floor was the holidays.

It's fun because everyone really gets involved.
— Laura Sergi



Eric Davis

— for the birds —

Ben Miller and Efraim Pfeil act out a scene from the movie "Top Gun" in room 206. Potential Hollywood stars could test their skills before a real video camera while script cards were held off to the side.

first east wengatz

a winning tradition

Placing in Airband is a three-year tradition for First East Wengatz. This year they took home third place for their rendition of "Madame Librarian," from the musical The Music Man, "Men In Tights" from Robin Hood and "It's a Hard Knock Life" from Annie earned them first place in 1997 and 1998, respectively. Senior Josh Eastburn, who participated in 1997 and 1998, says, "The best thing about Airband was wearing a dress or tights and being with your closest friends and not being ashamed of it."

Are the guys disappointed about losing first place this year? "It's always a thrill to perform in front of our peers, and winning is nice, too," sophomore Brian Peters says. "But the most important aspect is a chance to bond with guys on the wing, unite for a common purpose. The memories we make will last longer than any prize we could win."

by Kristy O'Neal

showing a little leg

Robert Cosgrove and Ryan Ringenberg help First East take first place in Airband 1998 for "It's A Hard Knock Life" from Annie.



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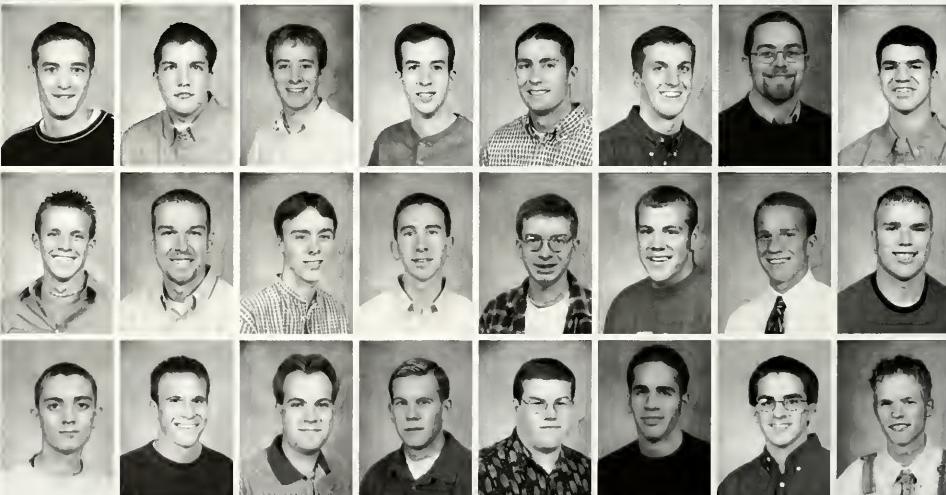
geeks & nerds

Jeremy Dys, Mike Merritt, Chris Shively, Nick Goad, Joel Rodeheaver and David Jones perform "Madame Librarian" from The Music Man in Airband 1999.

Havilah Pauley

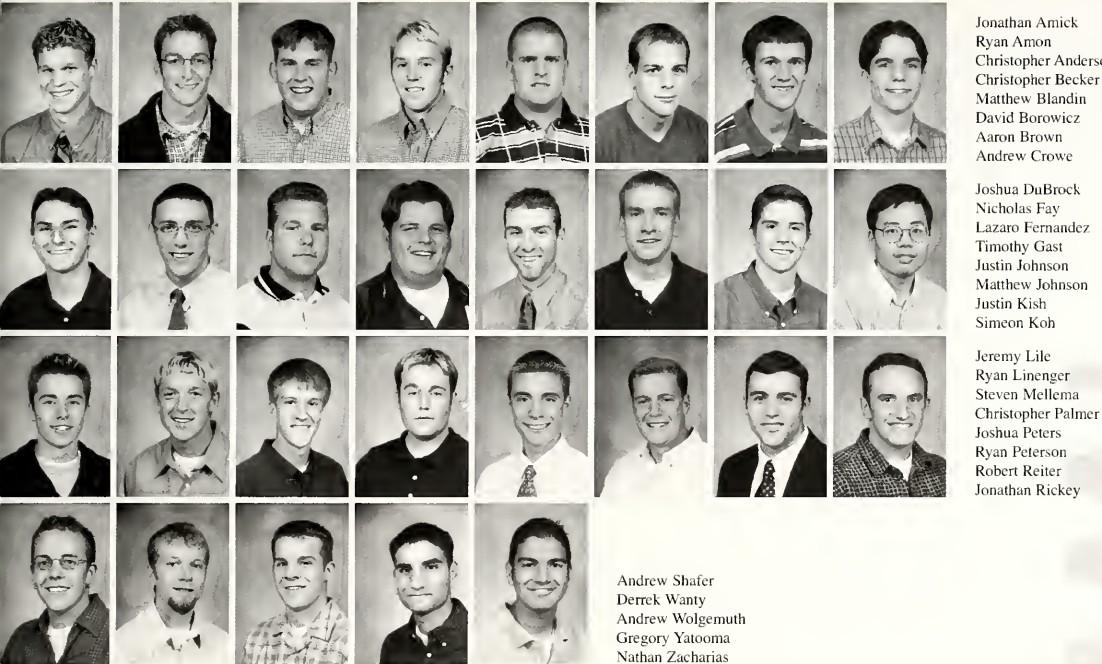


Matthew Ankney
Micah Barcalow
Jordan Bradish
John Clark
Nate Clark
Frederick Claybrook
Timothy Constable
Robert Cosgrove



Kevin Lambert
Joshua Maggard
Joshua McAtee
Michael Merritt
Damon Moorman
Robert Morris
Brian Peters
Joel Rodeheaver

Joshua Rugema
Ryan Rupp
Bradley Russell
Christopher Shively
Daniel G. Taylor
Joshua Vander Meer



Jonathan Amick
Ryan Amon
Christopher Anderson
Christopher Becker
Matthew Blandin
David Borowicz
Aaron Brown
Andrew Crowe

Joshua DuBrock
Nicholas Fay
Lazaro Fernandez
Timothy Gast
Justin Johnson
Matthew Johnson
Justin Kish
Simeon Koh

Jeremy Lile
Ryan Linenger
Steven Mellema
Christopher Palmer
Joshua Peters
Ryan Peterson
Robert Reiter
Jonathan Rickey

Andrew Shafer
Derrek Wanty
Andrew Wolgemuth
Gregory Yatooma
Nathan Zacharias

first west wengatz

the spice of life

Ask anyone on campus about their wing or floor, and most will comment on both the diversity and the unity. First West Wengatz is one that has concrete examples to prove it.

According to PA Justin Belgiano, a visitor can hear anything from the Lion King soundtrack to Ice Cube being blasted into the hallway. There are men Belgiano calls "marquee scholars" and those he calls "video game fiends." Senior Matt Mendham has the suspected largest book library, while freshman Nate Zacharias has a large collection of DVDs. And on any given morning, it is not unusual for the men to meet over the bathroom sinks early in the morning, some just waking up and others just going to bed. Freshman Drew Shafer usually goes to bed between 4 and 5

a.m., mostly "because I procrastinate on my homework by hanging out with people and don't start it until really late," he explains. Freshman Aaron Brown, on the other hand, is usually up pretty early. "I like to spend my time in the morning being up and reading my Bible and praying," he says.

And yet, despite all these differences, there's a lot that brings the men of First West together. "We have very high involvement. The unity is very strong," Belgiano says. "It sounds kind of cliche, but I like how there's a lot of different groups of guys," Brown adds. Shafer agrees. "It all comes down to the guys," he says. "It's just a great group of guys. There's a lot of brotherly interaction."

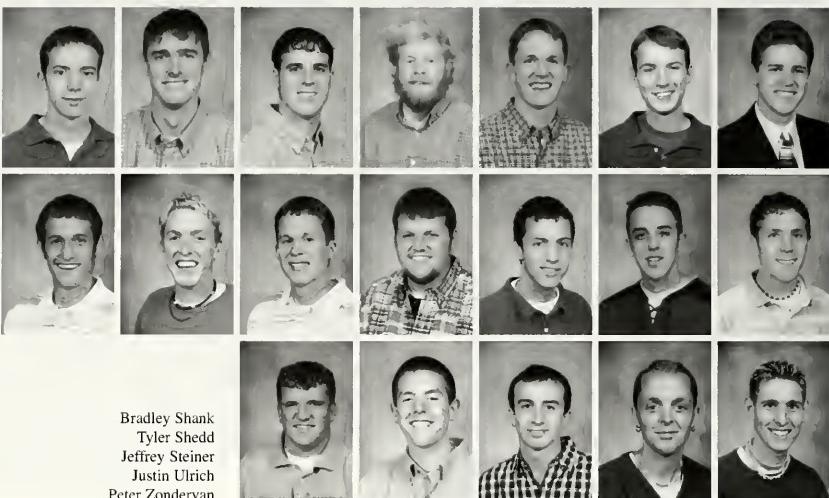
by Kristy O'Neal



variety

Freshman Andrew Wolgemuth, sophomore Justin Kish, freshman Drew Shafer and senior Matt Mendham share the same bathroom on 1WW, but they have dissimilar lifestyles. Kish, Mendham and Wolgemuth are getting up and ready for the day, while Shafer is just getting to bed.

Brad Almond
Blake Andrews
Benjamin Ballard
James Briggs
Daniel Bubar
David Coons
Michael Kaspas



second east wengatz

milk. it does a body good?

For most people, the thought of drinking a gallon of milk in one hour is pretty sickening. But for the men of Second East Wengatz, it's all part of their annual Dairy Challenge, held the Sunday before spring finals week.

The purpose of the event is to drink the entire gallon without getting sick. Ten men participated this year, but only one of them was able to complete the challenge — David Miller. "I think that it is a pride thing to be able to actually do the challenge without throwing up," PA Mike Paull explains.

Sophomore Tim Knipp was one of the winning contestants last year. He was denied medical attention at the health center because he informed the nurse that he had won the dairy challenge. Paull recounts, "She responded by saying that he needed to 'go back to your room and think about what you did!'"

Paull really enjoys the tradition. "It challenges guys in an interesting way and brings everyone together for one last shewbang before the year is over," he says.

by Kristy O'Neal

Eric Davis



where's the milk

Freshman David Miller shows off his empty jug with pride. Miller was the only Second East wing member to consume an entire gallon of milk in an hour in the 2000 Dairy Challenge.

refused

The Dairy Challenge is too much for freshman Steven Nothum's stomach. Many participants get sick enough to throw up.



Eric Davis

**beach bums**

The men of Second Center Wengatz were on the beach in Panama City for 10 hours, and came back with bright red sunburns.

second center wengatz

on the road again

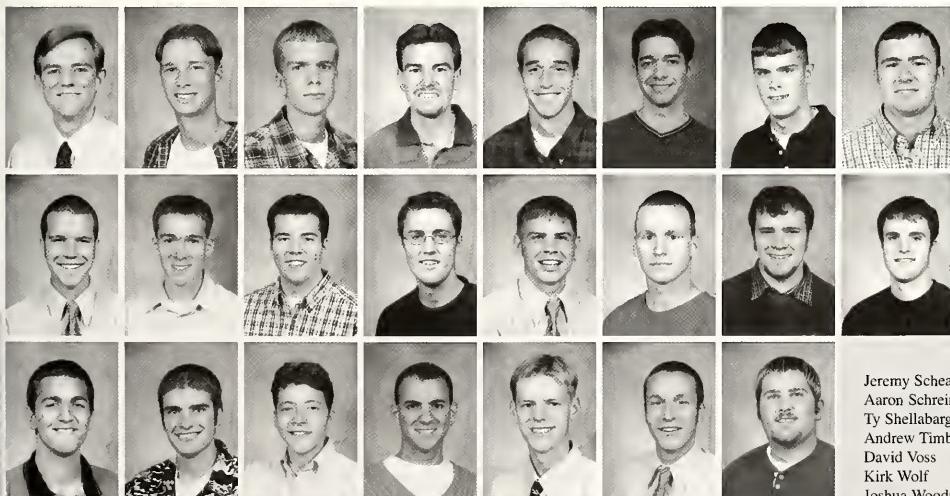
As the first weekend of March approached, the men of Second Center Wengatz drew a 10 to 14 hour radius around Upland on a map. They then placed the names of several cities in that radius in a hat, pulled one out, loaded themselves into two Taylor vans and took off. Thus began the second annual Second Center road trip. PA Stuart Davis says, "We wanted to do something fun and spontaneous."

This year's drive took the men to Panama City, Fla., out of choices such as Toronto, New York

City, Boston, Atlanta and New Orleans. The drive took 14 hours each way, and the wingmates spent only 10 hours at the beach. Last year they traveled to Charleston, S.C.

Spending all that time crammed into a small space might be frustrating for some, but these men consider it a bonding experience. "Definitely the best thing is the way you get to know people after being crammed in a bus for twelve hours," Davis added, "You see different sides of people that you don't get a chance to see very often."

by Kristy O'Neal

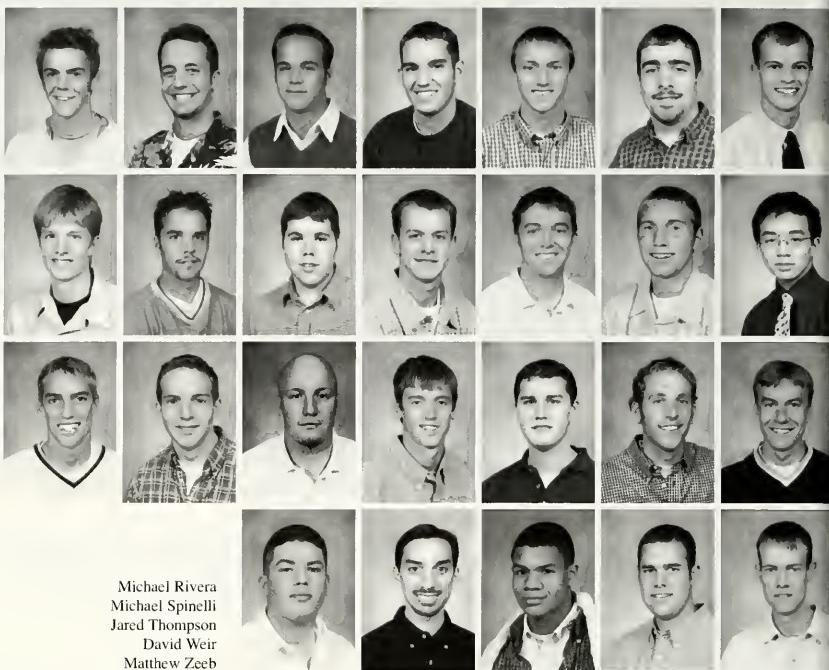


Adam Bennett
Joshua Bryson
William Cleveland
Edward Cyzewski
Stuart Davis
Jonathan Duncan
Nathan Hoenig
Geoffrey Hoffmann

Jonathan Horsey
Jesse Joyner
Nathan Kinnee
Timothy Koons
Bryan Linder
Russell Mannix
Brian Munz
Jonathan Rupp

Jeremy Schea
Aaron Schreiner
Ty Shellabarger
Andrew Timbie
David Voss
Kirk Wolf
Joshua Woods

Tad Aschliman
Jonah Attebery
Bradley Bollman
Matthew Brandenberger
Russell Bray
Michael Burcham
David Conrad



Eric Davis

cocktails

(above) Senior Ryan James serves up refreshments at Second West's Tonight We Ride open house.

tough guys

(right) The men of Second West pose with one of this year's special guests, DC worker Paula.



Eric Davis

second west wengatz black leather tribute

They saunter into chapel wearing sunglasses and leather jackets, looking tough and somewhat out of place at Taylor. But any Taylor veteran knows this is just Second West Wengatz's way of advertising for its upcoming open house, Tonight We Ride.

Tonight We Ride began seven years ago as a celebration of Harley Davidson. "Leather jackets and motorcycles seem to represent a certain American attitude that guys enjoy," PA Dan Jacobson explains. The event attracts many familiar faces from Taylor's community, including Walt Campbell in past years and DC worker Paula this year.

Jerry Palmer, of Fort Wayne, collects leather jackets and boots as a hobby and lends them out to 2WW every year. Palmer's company, J.P. Audio, supplies and mans lighting and sound equipment for events throughout Indiana, including several large Taylor concerts.

Open house visitors can listen to music, watch movies, and enjoy food and non-alcoholic drinks from a bar set up in the lounge. "People come to see the guys, laugh at their friends trying to be tough and to throw on a jacket and have their pictures taken," Jacobson says. "Overall, it's just a celebration of Harley Davidson, the people who ride them, the clothes that those people wear, and the image that the whole thing carries with it."

— by Kristy O'Neal —

third east wengatz

take me out to the ball game



Mike Schueler

swing

"Big Red Bat" founder Jamie Ostrander practices for the week's big game.

Walking by the Wengatz lawn on a Sunday night, you might hear cheers and singing. And you might see 14 men running around barefoot. You might even ask, "What is happening here?" What you are witnessing is Third East's "Big Red Bat" tradition.

One day during his freshman year, sophomore Jamie Ostrander was reminiscing about his childhood love for plastic bats and whiffle balls. So he and his roommate, Davis Evans, went out to buy them. Ostrander says, "It seemed like it would be a good wing tradition."

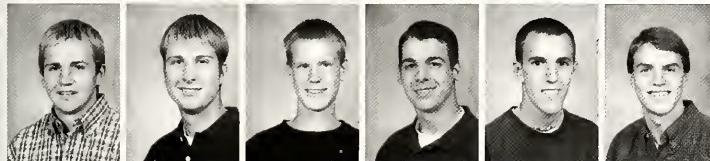
Thus, "Big Red Bat" began. The guys get together on warm Sunday evenings between 9 and 10 p.m. to play a barefoot game of whiffle ball, with pizza boxes serving as bases. "We always sing the "National Anthem" before we start -- that's another tradition," Ostrander says. Between the 3rd and 4th innings, the members of Third East stop for a stretch and sing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game," usually led by a fellow wing member who is up on the wing, sticking his head out of a window.

"Big Red Bat" is just one of many crazy wing traditions around campus. Ostrander says, "It's a fun way to relieve the tension of the beginning of the week...we highly recommend it."

by Kendra Beutler



Daniel Anger
Seth Bartal
Chad Burton
Adam Davis
Andrew Davis
Adam Fennig



Patrick Flanagan
Michael Green
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Samuel Jones
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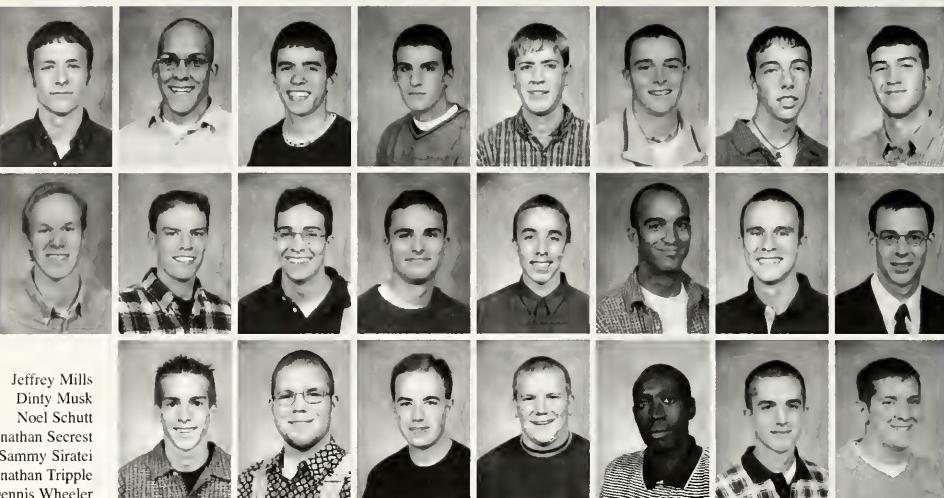


Daniel Martin
Joel Newton
James Ostrander
John Peebles
Michael Schueler
Andrew Simons



Joshua Vida
Peter Von Tobel
Justin Woodward

Lucas Abernathy
Adam Ashoff
Stephen Austin
Daniel Baehr
Michael Chalke
Scott Chapman
Nicholas Cross
William Deeds



third center wengatz

Ephesians 4: 1-6, 15-16

out back

For most people, the word "outhouse" brings to mind an unsteady wooden shack, a foul odor and plumbing that consists of nothing more than a hole in the ground. But to the men of Third Center Wengatz, the outhouse represents their Taylor home.

People began calling Third Center the outhouse at least five years ago, according to PA Greg Hall. The tradition started "solely based on the fact that Third Center does not have a bathroom," Hall says. Men from other wings jokingly theorized that the utility closet on the wing was really an outhouse, and the name stuck.

Hall chose to incorporate the name into his wing theme and decorations. The name tags on each door have a photograph of a different outhouse, and the men constructed a large cardboard outhouse to decorate for the Wengatz Hall Christmas open house. Also, the backs of the wing shirts contain a floor plan with a hole to indicate the outhouse.

These wing decorations were created based on the wing verse from Ephesians 4, "representing the fact that we're all different, but we're all outhouses. We're all made in God's image," Hall explains.

by Kristy O'Neal

third west wengatz

getting down on the farm

photo provided



photo provided



deer season

(above) Freshman Aaron Mills poses before his date arrives. His costume includes an authentic deer backside.

sharpshooter

(left) Senior Erin Bitner aims for her recently carved pumpkin.

On Sunday morning, October 17, PA Jason Courter laid face down on the pavement in the Hartford City Square. His friends duct-taped him to the ground, and he waited. Back at Taylor, in the Wengatz Hall lounge, his date received a clue that said, "Kids pick on me, now the pavement is all I see." She and 27 other women were driven to the Hartford City Square and told to find their dates. Thus began Third West Wengatz's Octoberfest 1999.

Octoberfest is a long-standing tradition on Third West, one Courter estimates to be at least 15 years old. After all the women discovered their dates' identities, the entire group drove to Andrew Fennig's farm. The rest of the day consisted of a pumpkin carving contest, hayrides, a maze in the barn made of bales of straw and a cookout complete with a keg of root beer. "The cleaning ladies saw it on our wing and thought it was real beer. Someone told our hall director, and he just laughed," Courter recounts. In a different activity from previous years, the men of Third West also taught their dates to fire shotguns by lining up the carved pumpkins once the contest was over. Each of the attendees received a t-shirt to commemorate the occasion.

Octoberfest once again drew a large number of participants. "All the guys on the wing make an effort to come," Courter explains. "It's something that everyone looks forward to."

by Kristy O'Neal

costume party

(below) The men of Third West wait in the Hartford City Square for their dates to arrive. Their costumes were based on a wide variety of characters and objects, such as Bob Dylan, a drunk, and a shower curtain.



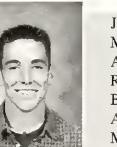
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Adam Becker



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Russell Boronow
Jason Courter
Joshua Dennis
Andrew Fennig
Andrew Forrest
Dustin Garrison
Joshua Goad
Adam Hanna



Joseph Heth
Michael Kenney
Aaron Konopka
Russell Mejeur
Benjamin Miller
Aaron Mills
Mathew Miquel
Michael O'Hara



Mark Paulson
Ryan Ray
Matthew Severns
Ryan Smucker
Scott Tyree
Mark Wilkins
Adam Witmer

off campus on my own

I've planned since my freshman year to live off-campus my senior year. Back then it seemed so adult to me — signing a lease, buying groceries, paying bills. It still seems pretty adult to me, and in many ways it's very different from dorm life. I loved dorm life, by the way. The strange thing is, I like paying bills. I don't like spending the money, but I like the feeling of independence when I write those checks each month. I like buying groceries and learning how to cook. I like not thinking about open house hours. I love entertaining. In a few months, I'm going to be living on my own in an apartment in the Chicago area, hundreds of miles from my family and the only house I've ever lived in. Somehow, I think this living off-campus is the perfect transition.

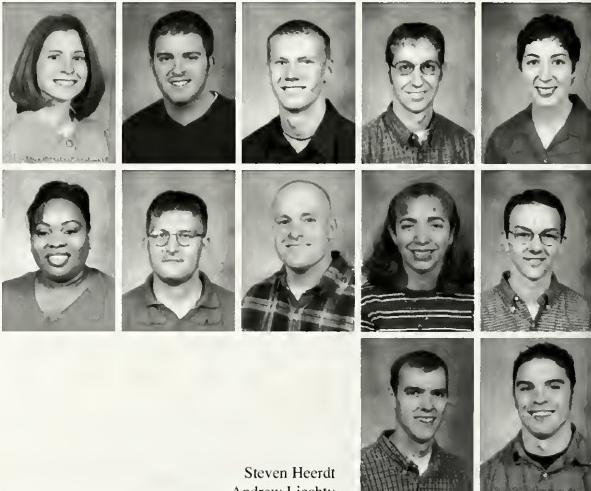
— by Kristy O'Neal —

— a longer walk —

Senior Mark Hansen walks home to the Soup House along Second Street. Many apartment complexes and rental houses are found along this road.



LeAnne Alt
Jason Aquila
Scott Bentson
Brent Bolton
Amy Croft



What's the best thing about living off campus?

Being in a relationship, it's handy to have open house hours all the time.
— Brent Bolton,
junior computer science major

Not having community bathrooms and being able to cook in my own kitchen.
— Ashley Lund,
junior elementary education major



— culinary skills —

(above) Junior Josh Zimmerman makes dinner at his apartment in Fairlane.



Isabell Loftin
Willis Loftin
Kathryn Mishler
Derek Phillips
Nathaniel Savidge

Natalya Sizikova
Chandra Smith
Walter Smith
Erin Stair
Heidi Stevens

Nathan Taylor
Joshua Zimmerman

For me, it's living in the Soup House. It's the sense of community that's here.
— Andrew Billups,
senior music composition major

More freedom and more room.
— Lindsay Marcy, senior business systems major

If I just want to get away, I can come and relax. And I don't have to worry about the madness of the dorm.
— Ben Essenburg,
junior elementary education major



academics



A group of students take
advantage of a warm fall day to
relax between classes outside in
the shade of a tree.

(photo by Havilah Pauley)



photos by Mike Schueler

spotlight

richard allen farmer dean of the chapel



'carpe farmer!' a dazzling beginning

"Look up at me and receive the benediction," is one Richard Allen Farmer, dean of the chapel, phrase that most students will never forget.

But here's a new one to remember: "I am a lover of Christ who is a fun guy!"

A man who calls flying his own plane from Dallas, Texas to Santa Barbara, Cal., over the mountains and deserts of New Mexico and Arizona, "especially exhilarating," Farmer says, "I wouldn't call myself a thrill seeker, but I do want to live life fully." Having earned his pilots' license in 1989 and his instrument rating a couple of years later, there's a lot to Farmer that students would never imagine. His polished speech and manner not only disguise his New York City ghetto roots, but also his love of the exotic.

Aside from flying planes, Farmer is a certified scuba diver and used to ride a motorcycle, but Farmer also has owned animals that are usually found only in zoos. He says, "Animals have always fascinated me and primates, in particular, seemed to be the frontrunners. I bought, over time, six monkeys and a chimpanzee simply because I could and wanted the joy of raising them." He has also owned a ferret and a colony of 26 hamsters.

But what is most important to Farmer comes out in his sermons - his music, his ministry and his family. He often speaks of wife, Rosemary, and son, Timothy. Farmer met Rosemary in San Diego, Calif., in July of 1980. He says, "I was the guest preacher at her home church that weekend, and her pastor - who is her uncle - thought she and I should meet. We liked each other immediately. After nearly a year of dating, we were married at the St. Stephen's Church of God in Christ in San Diego, by the same uncle who saw to it that we met."

Since then, the couple adopted their son when he was three weeks old. About Timothy's entrance into the Farmer family, Farmer says, "We had problems conceiving naturally and decided to choose one of the many

children 'out there' who needed a loving family. We were made aware of Timothy's birth and chose him. We use the term 'chosen child' rather than 'adopted' and sense that God used us to spare Timothy from a life that might have been very difficult."

In turn, the woman who Farmer attributes to guiding his life is his mother. Now 69 and still living in New York City, Farmer's mother is described by Farmer as "one of the most generative, energetic people I know. I greatly admire her. She made our growing up lots of fun. She was affectionate, determined and industrious."

Farmer's mother also saw to it that he took piano lessons beginning at age 11. He says, "Duke Ellington titled his autobiography 'Music is My Mistress.' I understand that. Music has been a love of mine since I was a child. Having the privilege of private lessons placed me in another world." And his musical interest is still strong today.

Having earned his Bachelor of Music degree in 1975 for piano and voice, Farmer has combined that musical love with his Master of Divinity degree and his love for the Lord to create RAF (Richard Allen Farmer) Ministries, "a church renewal ministry that uses expository preaching and music to stimulate the worldwide body of followers of Jesus Christ, one group at time," which he employs on Taylor's campus, as well as across the country.

"My call to ministry was clear, though non-dramatic. I was keenly aware that God had given me two visible gifts. I could clearly communicate truth verbally and musically. I knew from my early teen years that these vehicles of preaching and music would be the ones God would use." Such has rung true, as Farmer is as well-known for his leading chapel attendees in a hymn, or ending a sermon with a song, as he is for his open-eyed benedictions, during which he "look[s] into the eyes of the faithful and send[s] them out."

by Jessica Barnes

By Brenda Vergara

thaddeus c. reade



In 1891, Thaddeus C. Reade became

president of Taylor University. Reade brought many new ideas to Taylor. One of his biggest enhancements to the campus was the addition of a bible training school. It provided a three-year program for ministers, and two-year programs for missionaries and for lay preachers.

New courses in theology were

a great
city
of witnesses

also added to the curriculum. Students had a choice of exegetical, historical, systematic and practical theology.

Reade was also known for being the man who introduced Samuel Morris, an African student, to Taylor University. He had visions of Morris experiencing an unquestioning change which would impact the campus, and that is exactly what occurred in Morris' life. By 1924, Reade had written and sold over 200,000 copies of Sammy Morris' biography.

The university suffered a leadership crisis when President Thaddeus C. Reade died in 1902.

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— out in the open —

Graduates Christy Almond and Dave Frank look over the ledge of this Irish mountainside in 1998.

— a peaceful place —

(right) This cemetery in Ireland is just one of the spectacular historical sites in the country.

photo provided



a new cross cultural experience, now open to Taylor students of all majors, provides an opportunity for

ministry in ireland

When you think of Ireland, what comes to mind? Of course, the beautiful countryside, castles and kissing the Blarney Stone, but what about a population that is less than one percent Christian? During the summer of 1998, Vance Maloney, associate professor of psychology, along with nine Taylor students, recognized the spiritual depravity of Ireland and spent a month in Dublin on a mission trip. The students earned four hours of cross cultural credit doing survey research by asking the Irish, "Where does hope come from?" The answers provided open doors to witnessing opportunities for the Taylor students.

"It is so important to get a different look at

the world, away from a North American viewpoint," Maloney commented. "Ireland is a great place to experience a new culture and get involved in ministry."

With Ireland being so economically stable, it is rarely thought of as needing any help. With Maloney's help, Taylor now realizes the country's spiritual need, and thus developed year-round programs which provide credit for students of any major. According to Maloney, spending a January term or a semester in Ireland is not only a great chance to experience an amazing culture, but also a prime opportunity to minister to an Irish population in need of finding hope in life through Jesus Christ.

by Nicole Schulz

Ireland is a great place to experience a new culture and get involved in ministry.

—Vance Maloney



Eric Davis

Social Work

Paul Susan, Twyla Lee, JoAnne Powell, Kathy Harner



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Sociology

Michael Jessup, Steve Bird



Eric Davis

Psychology

Back: Steve Snyder, Tim Herrmann, Vance Maloney Front: Joe Lund, Mark Cosgrove



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cliffhangers

Muffy Scott, Heather Coaster, Kerry Johnson, Megan Holman, Jodi Brooks, Abbie Blackshire, Christy Almond and Beth Beres pose for a picture on a cliff overlooking the water. They were in the 1998 group that visited Australia with Vance Maloney, professor of psychology. Maloney is spearheading the formation of a semester-long Taylor overseas program in Ireland.

The Christian education department strives to develop relationships within the major through its

annual retreat

What was your favorite part of the Christian Education Retreat?

"I remember the fear yet privilege as a freshman when everything was new, and then the fear and privilege as a senior to plan for the freshman."

—Josh McMullen

"Retreats are a unique plus to being in the Christian education program here at Taylor. We get to know brothers and sisters, who otherwise may have just been faces in a classroom. I think the retreats serve to provide a more connected, personal feel to the Christian education program and also serve to excite vision to underclassmen and encouragement to upperclassmen as we all join together in a more informal, intentional atmosphere."

—Lora Erickson

The retreat has been one of the highlights of my time at Taylor, getting away from campus and being with some fun, godly people. Faye and Dr. Lay have poured themselves into it ... it is a real testimony of how much they care and how dedicated they are."

—Jayson Palm

"I love Christian education retreats and the Christian education program in general because the ultimate end of man (to glorify God) is always set before us, and the means to do so — drawing into a deeper relationship with Him — is cultivated by an environment of 'connecting,' late night burrito runs, prayer and praises, rice pilaf, being poured into by Faye, Dr. Lay, and Phil and Matt Barcalow's favorite thing ... square dancing."

—Liz Esclamado



making a mess

Senior Mark Bettenhausen gets a shampoo with shaving cream by freshman Emily Hill and other Christian education majors during a group game.



Bible, Christian Education & Philosophy

Back: Bill Heth, Bob Lay, Phil Collins, Ron Colleymore, Win Corduan, Ed Meador. Front: Jim Spiegel, Faye Chechowich, Daryl Charles, Larry Helyer, Michael Harbin

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—Lora Erickson

Havilah Pauley



— chatting —

Junior Liz Esclamado chats with senior Laura Wampach during the 1999 Christian education retreat that took place in the fall.

Havilah Pauley



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christian educa-
on majors.

**Students getting real life experience
in the local school systems are**

student teachers

Student teaching could be regarded as a sort of mission impossible assignment. Each year a few daring seniors venture into the great wide world of student teaching. Leaving the Taylor bubble behind, they boldly go into the land of spit wads, note passing and bladder impaired children. They enter the public school system with one goal: to inspire young minds with knowledge. Some have the experience of a lifetime, others leave wondering why they ever thought they were mature in junior high.

Kyle Romine is one of Taylor's intrepid adventurers. This fall, Kyle student taught in Huntington. He taught three musical education classes and a sixth grade choir in the junior high, as well as a concert and a show choir in the high school. Kyle admitted that, at first, he was nervous about student teaching. But by the end of the third week, he loved it. Kyle developed a wonderful relationship with his students, especially the high schoolers. He helped with many of the extra rehearsals for the show choir and was able to get to know the students on a one-on-one basis. Kyle shared, "High schoolers these days aren't as bad as you think they are. The 'problem kids' are the ones I was closest to after I broke through to them."

Through his teaching experience, Kyle learned to be more creative in the classroom and developed patience. He also found himself applying ideas and things he learned in school that he never thought he would use. Kyle has followed up with his students. The show choir is performing in Disney World this summer, and Kyle hopes to be able to go see them. Kyle said, "The hardest part of student teaching for me was coming back and being a college kid again."

—Liz Cardy

Eric Davis



Eric Davis

— teaching —
Students can do their student teaching at a variety of schools, but many students choose Upland Elementary. Here, senior Caroline Behnken teaches a class there.



— head of the class —

Senior Caroline Behnken passes out papers to her class at Upland Elementary school.



English

Back: Rick Hill, Ken Swan, Barbara Heavilin, Kimberly Moore-Jumonville Front: Nancy Dayton, Judy Mitchell, Colleen Warren, Beulah Baker



Modern Languages

Back: Richard Dixon, Eleanor Barrick Front: Rita Koch, Betty Messer, Janet Loy



Education

Marian Kendall, Pamela Medows, Angie Macomber, Carl Siler, Cynthia Tyner, Alexis Armstrong, Joan Kitterman

Eric Davis



finding the answer

The math question of the week was new for the 1999-2000 school year. Here, freshman Joshua Benteman and junior Tim Walter study the current week's question in hopes of winning an Ivanhoe's shake.

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History

William Ringenberg, Alan Winquist, Tom Jones, Steve Messer, Roger Jenkinson

Eric Davis



Math

Back: Ron Benbow, David Neuhauser, Jeremy Case, Matt DeLong Front: Mark Colgan, Patty Erickson, Bill Klinger

Eric Davis



Political Science

Stephen Hoffmann, Philip Loy



**Students volunteer to do extra math
for Ivanhoes' shakes by winning the**

math problem of the week

deep in thought

(below) Junior Tim Walter and freshmen Joshua Benteman and James Immordino attempt to figure out the math question of the week posted over a drinking fountain in Nussbaum.

Eric Davis



Some may balk at the idea of voluntarily spending extra out-of-class time to solve complicated math equations. But that is exactly what Matthew DeLong, associate professor of mathematics, hopes students will do. If you are a regular in Nussbaum, or even if you've accidentally wandered through it before, you may have noticed the math Problem of the Week posted on the walls or bulletin boards of the building. DeLong finds the problems in books, on the Internet, or sometimes makes them up in order to challenge students and to "remind people that math can be fun," he said. "Sometimes they forget that in the classroom."

If math isn't your thing, then trying to solve the Problem of the Week could seem like a daunting task. But DeLong said that, though some of the questions were geared toward those who are majoring in a math-related field, others are simply a matter of using basic counting and logic skills. He tries to maintain a balance by making them about half-and-half.

And, of course, no one would ask for extra work without providing incentives. Each week, the correct answers that were turned in are collected, and one winner was drawn from the pool to receive a free Ivanhoes' shake. Some teachers also gave extra credit to their students who correctly answer the Problem of the Week. Juniors Shawn Alspaugh and David Aukerman have correctly answered 11 of the 13 problems — more than anyone else.

DeLong hopes to do the same thing again next year, so if you missed it this year, there is still time to brush up on your multiplication tables and review the quadratic formula. Who knows? Maybe that free shake could be yours.

by Sarah Hinkle



Mike Schuetz

Many students don't know about all of the research that is happening in the physics department. Here is the run-down:

- HENA (High Energy Neutral Atom imager): HENA is currently the highest priority project and is in the late stages of design. HENA will fly on the IMAGE (Imager from Magnetopause to Aurora Global Exploration) Satellite and will image the neutral atoms that are produced by ring currents.
- DROPPS (The Distribution and Role of Particles in the Polar Summer mesosphere using Coordinated Rocket, Radar and Lidar Techniques): DROPPS consists of two rockets that will be launched in Norway toward one noctilucent cloud and one polar mesospheric summer echo. The research department is under contract to build a particle charge/mass spectrometer that will be mounted in the nose cone of the rocket.
- SEPS (Source/Loss-Cone Energetic Particle Spectrometer): The SEPS instrument is located on the POLAR satellite despun platform along with the auroral imagers, and is independent of the other CEP-PAD sensors. SEPS consists of two independent telescopes that measure both the energetic electron, and ion fluxes in the vicinity of the magnetic field-aligned loss, and source cone regions with high sensitivity, and with fine angular and time resolution.
- SPADUS (Space Dust and Energetic Particle Experiment): In the near-Earth space, both orbital debris and natural (cosmic) particles contribute to the particulate environment (Tuzzolino et al., 1992).

The present-day lack of quantitative measurements of the flux, velocity/trajectory and time characteristics of small debris particles continues to hamper the development of reliable evolutionary modeling of orbital debris, and the need for these data remains as an important goal in this field. The SPAcc DUSt (SPADUS) experiment addresses this need, providing important information on: a) the orbital characteristics and possible sources of near-Earth cosmic dust and b) the mass distribution of meteor-stream particles that may be encountered.

• VLF (Very Low Frequency Receiver): The VLF (Very Low Frequency) Station at Taylor detects VLF radio waves emitted by lightning. These waves are of low enough frequency that they are in the audio range. This is why we can easily translate them into sound. When lightning flashes, it puts out these VLF waves which can do two things. They can reflect back and forth between the ground and the E-Layer of the Ionosphere. These are called sferics and are very common. The second thing it can do is get caught in a "duct" along a magnetic field line and travel several earth radii out into space before returning to earth on the opposite hemisphere (geomagnetically speaking). These trapped waves are called whistlers because, when received, they output a whistling sound, starting at a high tone and dropping to a low tone over the time index of about a second.

• TU Solar Car Racing Team: A student lead attempt to built a vehicle powered by converting the sun radiation to electricity that will be able to race cross-country in Sunrayce '99.

*Information courtesy of the physics page on the Taylor Web site.

**Students are given many opportunities
to get involved with**

physics research

— clean room —

Henry Voss and David Prentice work in a specialized room located in Nussbaum. The number of dust particles in the room is regulated, and all who enter must wear a clean suit.

— white suit required —

(below) Henry Voss, physics professor, works in the clean room in Nussbaum. Student-made payloads, which were developed in this room, were launched by NASA from Norway last summer.



Mike Schueler



Eric Davis

Chemistry

Back: Stan Burden, Dan Smith Front: Leroy Kroll, Dan Hammond



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Physics

Ken Kiers, Bob Davis, Dan Smith



Eric Davis

Biology

Back: Richard Squiers, Tim Burkholder, Jeff Regin Second: Jan Reber, Paul Rothrock, Andrew Whipple Front: John Moore



Eric Davis

Environmental Biology

Paul Rothrock, Richard Squiers, Michael Guebert, Robert Reber



photos by Havilah Pauley

spotlight

the charleses

father/daughter



in my heart there rings a melody

He leans back in his chair and kicks his Nikes up onto his tidy desk. Books line the left side of his office and his computer whirs silently as he begins the story of the past two years. All of a sudden Dr. Charles is not the professor that I have come to know, but a father with a story.

Last semester I had Dr. J. Daryl Charles for Contemporary Issues, and it was well known in the buzz of classroom rumors that there was a reason he was occasionally missing classes: the reason was his family, and especially an unnamed daughter, off on the East Coast.

We now know her as Melody, a radiant, godly, bio/pre-med freshman who says, "God is faithful," when asked about her story.

It began two-and-a-half years ago when Taylor University, Upland, expressed interest in employing Dr. Charles as a philosophy professor. When Melody sensed that there was change on the horizon, she threw a "pre-emptive strike," as Dr. Charles called it, and asked her parents to "promise me that I can finish high school" at Mt. Hebron High School in Ellicott City, a suburb of Baltimore, Md.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles decided to take Melody's request very seriously. Considering the needs of their two sons, Ian and Jesse, they decided to accept the job

on a trial basis. For the fall semester of 1997, Dr. Charles was flying between Upland, where he rented an apartment, to Maryland every other weekend. Spring break and summers helped the Charleses to catch their breath and treasure every moment when the family could be together.

The Charles' church in Ellicott City was very important during the two years that Dr. Charles decided to commute. Dr. Charles says that they could not have done it "without the church's support, blessing and involvement."

And even though both Melody and her father are "thrilled about the choice" to keep her in the school where she began to excel academically, socially and spiritually, the Charleses realize that the situation is not ideal for every family. But Dr. Charles notes, "This is what God asked of us... [He] gives grace," for the situation that is not normative. I smile to think that when Dr. Charles gets up from behind his desk tonight and gets in his car to go home, it will be *home* ... a wife and two sons in Muncie, Melody now in Olson Hall on campus.

"Beginnings for Melody are not easy. For none of us are they easy," Dr. Charles remarks. But with familial love like theirs, life for Melody, Ian and Jesse may ring sweeter.

by Devon Trevarrow

Students travel to Indianapolis and Washington, D.C., to debate scenarios in an

ethics bowl

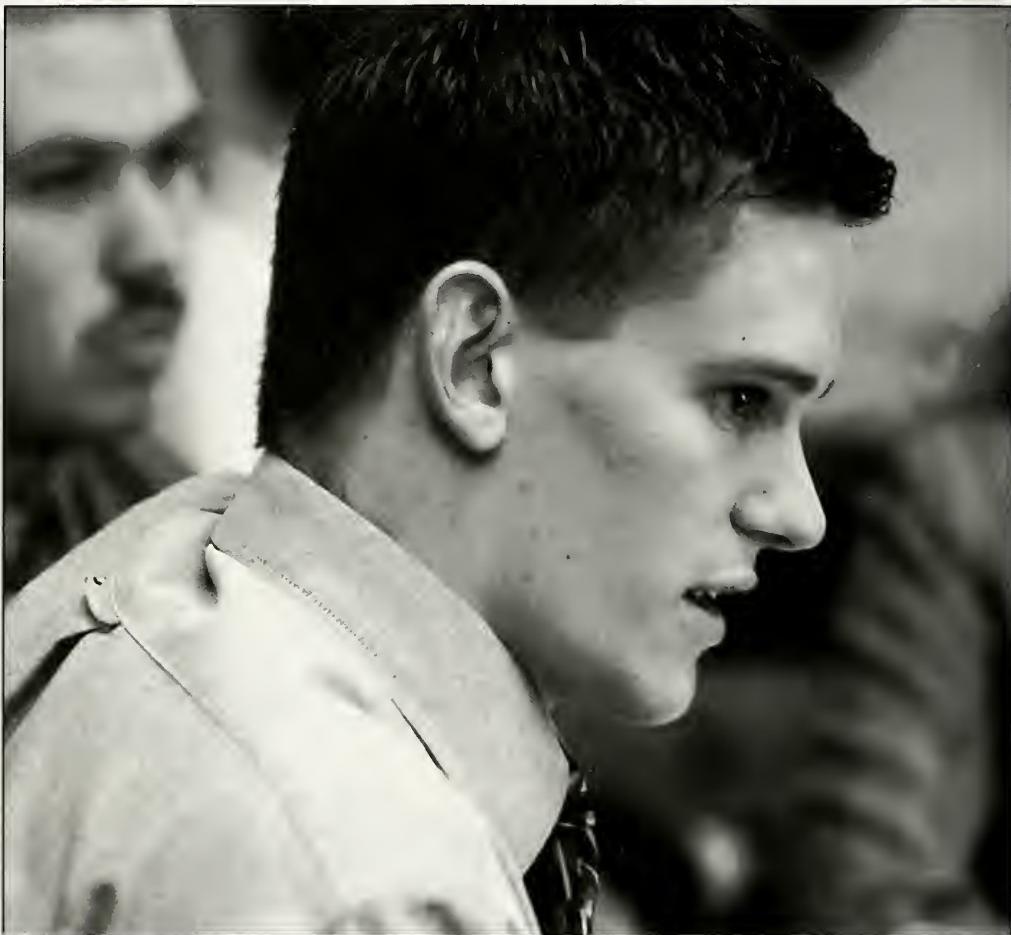


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concentration

Mark Lora contemplates the best response to an ethical scenario at the Ethics Bowl meet that took place in Indianapolis at the end of October.



How do you compete against other teams based on ethics? Six students learned exactly how that can be done this year, as members of Taylor's second Ethics Bowl team.

The team consisted of seniors Mark Lora, Lori Nye, Erin Pickett and Matt Rohrs. Juniors Seth Corduan and Dan Bubar alternated for the two bowls. The first competition was held at the end of October in Indianapolis, and the team placed third. The second took place in Washington, D.C., where, according to Pickett, the team finished "in the middle of the pack."

Taylor's involvement in the Ethics Bowl started last year, when Wally Roth, professor of computing and systems science, asked students in his computer science ethics class to be members of the team. This year, however, the invitation was extended to all majors. The team was represented by majors including computer science, business systems, political science and biology.

So, what exactly is an ethics bowl? Pickett said, "It's kinda hard to explain if you've never seen it. It's like a debate, but with ethical issues." Unlike a debate, however, there is not always an adversary. She said, "We were given a question and then had full reign on what we wanted to say. We had to be able to explain why we thought the way we did. After that, we were scored on how well we were able to

answer."

A few months before each of the matches, the team was given a list of ethical scenarios. The members divided them up and researched the answers. Then they got together to discuss the answers and, as Pickett said, "hone them down." At the actual Ethics Bowl, some of the questions were asked, but not all of them.

The questions ranged greatly in subjects discussed. One scenario asked whether, after an abortion protester makes one comment to someone entering an abortion clinic, if the person asks to be left alone, the First Amendment requires the protester to stay at least 15 feet away. Pickett said that the team did "really well on this one." The team answered that it was constitutional because the First Amendment protects both parties. Also, the Taylor participants pointed out that the protester would still be able to carry on a conversation with the person, since 15 feet is not a great distance.

Through the Ethics Bowl, the students were challenged to look more deeply at what they believed. Though they had time to prepare their answers, the team members still had to think quickly. Pickett said, "We actually knew what the competition would be, but we would still write out our main points together."

by Kendra Beutler

— teamwork —

Team members Matt Rohrs, Mark Lora, Seth Corduan and Lori Nye confer about the main points of their response to the given ethical scenario.



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— thinking —

Matt Rohrs, Mark Lora, Seth Corduan, Lori Nye and Erin Pickett work together during the 30 seconds they had to answer a question. Pickett says, "[During that time] we would encourage the person who was going to speak. We could pass notes."

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—Erin Pickett



Eric Danis

Computer Science

Back: Leon Adkison, Art White, Tim Diller, Joel Martin, Felix Aguilar Front: Beth Holloway, Aaron Brooks, Jeff Cramer, Stefan Brandle



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Business

Back: Lee Erickson, Hadley Mitchell, Jim Coe, Chris Bennett, Gary Cooper, Bob Benjamin, Don Knudsen Front: Nancy Gillespie, Janet Gross, Marianne Carter

Through conducting, teaching and leading, JoAnn Rediger has made an

impact

through music



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Art

Back: Larry Blakely, Rachel Smith, Lon Kaufmann
Front: Craig Moore, Kathy Hermann, Mary Mahan,
Bruce Campbell

Eric Davis



Communications

Back: Bruce Johnson, Dale Jackson, Ollie Hubbard,
Tim Kirkpatrick Front: Pam Parry, Jan Pletcher,
Jessica Rousselow

How has JoAnn Rediger impacted your life?

"She has been a great source of encouragement and has modeled a balanced combination between Christianity, professionalism, understanding and humility just to name a few. As I graduate this year, I will not only remember Dr. Rediger as a wonderful teacher and a role model, but as a dear friend."

—Christina Dulworth, senior

— empassioned conducting —

JoAnn Rediger uses her own kind of sign language to direct the chorale at a weekly practice.



"As an effective leader today, Dr. JoAnn Rediger is making every effort to promote outstanding leadership in the future for choral music."

—Brian Anders, sophomore

"Dr. Rediger is not only an outstanding and renown chorale conductor, but she has also been a role model and friend to students. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know her on an interpersonal level. Her poise and professionalism are balanced by a very approachable spirit. I admire not only her commitment to excellence in music, but her goal of giving glory to the Lord in all facets of life. Her boundless energy is contagious, and her encouraging words have prompted others to continue the circle of affirmation. Dr. Rediger will no doubt be a person that comes to mind when I reflect on individuals that have truly left a mark on my life."

—Sarah Culp, junior



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photos by Eric Davis

With all of the normal academic pressures in addition to busy schedules, study tables provide balance for athletes

The life of a college student is busy. Period. Juggling a schedule filled with tests, committee meetings, papers, coffee dates and wing activities is enough to leave any co-ed exhausted. But for student athletes, even more variables are thrown into the mix. The demands of practices, training and games, in addition to the activities of normal college life, can make it difficult to achieve a comfortable balance. But the student-athlete study table is helping Taylor's athletes do just that.

In its second year of existence, the study table program requires freshmen and transfer students to spend a minimum of ten hours in the library each week of their first semester at Taylor. For many athletes, the program simply holds them accountable to their academics. When senior basketball player Nick David transferred to Taylor from IUPUI last year, he found the program allowed him to "get out of the dorm and have a quiet place to study."

The study table program also requires each participant to meet with his or her professor at two points throughout the semester. Meetings such as these were vital components of Amber McClure's experience with the program. As a member of the volleyball team, McClure missed 80 percent of her Friday classes to travel to games during her freshman year. But these required meetings helped foster relationships between McClure and her professors. "It was good to get to know [my professors]," she explains, "so they could start to understand me in order to help me understand their class."

Barb Davenport, director of learning services and student/athletic Academic Support, who helped design the study table layout, hopes the effects of the program will extend beyond the one-semester requirement. "We believe that if you start out with good study habits, they'll carry through for you," she asserts.

Davenport's goal for the program is exemplified in sophomore Andy Flanigan's experience with the football study table. "The traits I've picked up from the program will definitely stick with me throughout the rest of my college career," he remarks.

But Davenport believes that the greatest aspect of the study table program is that it conveys Taylor's responsibility to its athletes. It demonstrates, she asserts, that "Taylor's not just using [its athletes] for sports scores and winning, but to help them do well and graduate," once again proving Taylor's commitment to excellence.

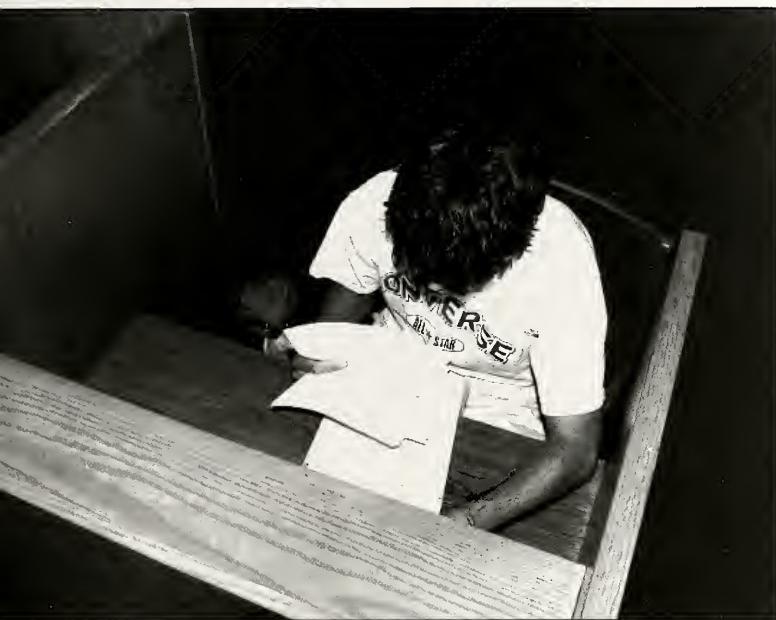
by Kimberly Shumaker

a second home

(below) Sophomore Ryan Leavitt makes himself at home in the Zondervan library. Leavitt is studying for spring finals.



Eric Davis



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from the program will
definitely stick with me
throughout the rest of
my college career.

—Andy Flanigan

— a place to study —

A student takes advantage of the quiet library to study for his spring finals. Many students study at the library, especially when the dorms get loud.



— Learning Support Center —

Back: Pat Kirkpatrick, Wilma Rowe, Judy Mitchell,
Billie Manor, Edwin Welch Front: Gary Friesen,
Barb Davenport



Jessica Barnes

— Archives —

Deanna Trump, Bonnie Houser, Erin Olson, Leah
Gittlen



Eric Davis

— Library Staff —

JoAnn Cosgrove, Marsha Becker, Wilma Rowe

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With campus mail bulging in our boxes,
one must wonder about the inner work-
ings of the
print shop



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Back: Ken Smith Front: Nelson Rediger,
Becky McPherson



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Amber Anderson Front: Steve Christensen,
Lisa Lachapelle, Donna Downs, Karen
Richards, Evan Kittleman



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Front: Sharon Ewbank, Sharon Zerrien, Sharon
Hopkins



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Eib, Beth Fitzjarrald, Sheila Moorman, Chuck
Stevens, Tom Essenburg Front: Gene Rupp,
Joyce Taylor, Janet Friesen, Alethea Childers,
Rhonda Faller



— getting it done —

(left) Sharon Ewbank uses a folding machine for a publication printed by university press.



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**re-order
time**

(left) Sharon Zerrien (left) helps Barb Webber, who works in academic affairs, with an order. Zerrien began working in the university press office last year.

**— playful peers —**

(above) Sharon Hopkins entertains her co-workers with her interaction with John Inskeep.

What did it cost?

Today, it seems obvious, but in 25 years, we may wonder how much our favorite items cost in 2000.

- Gas per gallon — \$1.50
- Gallon of milk — \$2.29
- Pack of gum — \$.25
- Can of soda — \$.55
- Candy Bar — \$.60
- Ivanhoes mini shake — \$1.25
- Jumping Bean Grande Mocha with whipped cream — \$3.05
- Movie (in the evening) — \$6
- TU theatre tickets (with TUID) — \$5
- Postage — \$.33

- CD — \$18
- T-Shirt — \$10
- Newspapers — \$.50
- Student cost for *The Echo* — Free!
- Taylor tuition — \$19,748
- Zip Disk — \$13
- Printing in the library — \$.10
- Video rental at Uptown Video — \$3.15 with tax
- Film developing — \$7

**Many prices are approximate.

Though the results were fairly minimal, students will always remember the widespread

Y2K scare

Eric Davis



resourcefulness at work

Freshman Twila Jones and senior Jill TenHarmsel, like many students, take advantage of Taylor's resources. Library computers are used largely for word processing, e-mailing and web research, as well as for class programs that are only installed on library and Reade lab computers.



There was actually very minimal impact ... We had all the computers up and running again by noon the next day.

—Art Mahan

good working environment

Senior Kim Smith shares a laugh with a fellow student in the library computer area. The library is often regarded as an extremely social atmosphere.



Eric Davis

How Y2K affected Taylor

- January term was pushed back for one week as a precautionary measure, so students had an extra week of Christmas break. Thus graduation was held a week later than usual.
- Lighthouse trips were scheduled for destinations within the United States, rather than the usual trips overseas.
- Information Services spent \$60,000 replacing and updating computers.
- IS prepped its department for all kinds of situations, so that it would be ready if something happened.
- IS finished the effort by powering-down all of the campus' computers. Art Mahan, associate vice president for information resources, said, "Taylor was no longer visible from the Internet."
- The biggest result was that a handful of computers had problems with disciplined, unique software, which Mahan said was simply because the programs were used by small amounts of people and were unknown to IS.

How Y2K affected the world

- People stockpiled canned goods and bottled water. Widespread panic ensued in the weeks leading up to the big day.
- Millions were glued to the television as the apple dropped in New York City.
- The effects were very small compared to those that were expected. There were only a few problems associated with Y2K.

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Controller's Office

Back: Nancy Howard, Cathy Moorman, Betty Hulley, Ron Sutherland Front: Linda Jeffries, Carla Rhetts, Kim Harrell

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Back: Gregg Holloway, Tim Nace Front: Christie Garrett, Joan Hobbs, Kay Stouse

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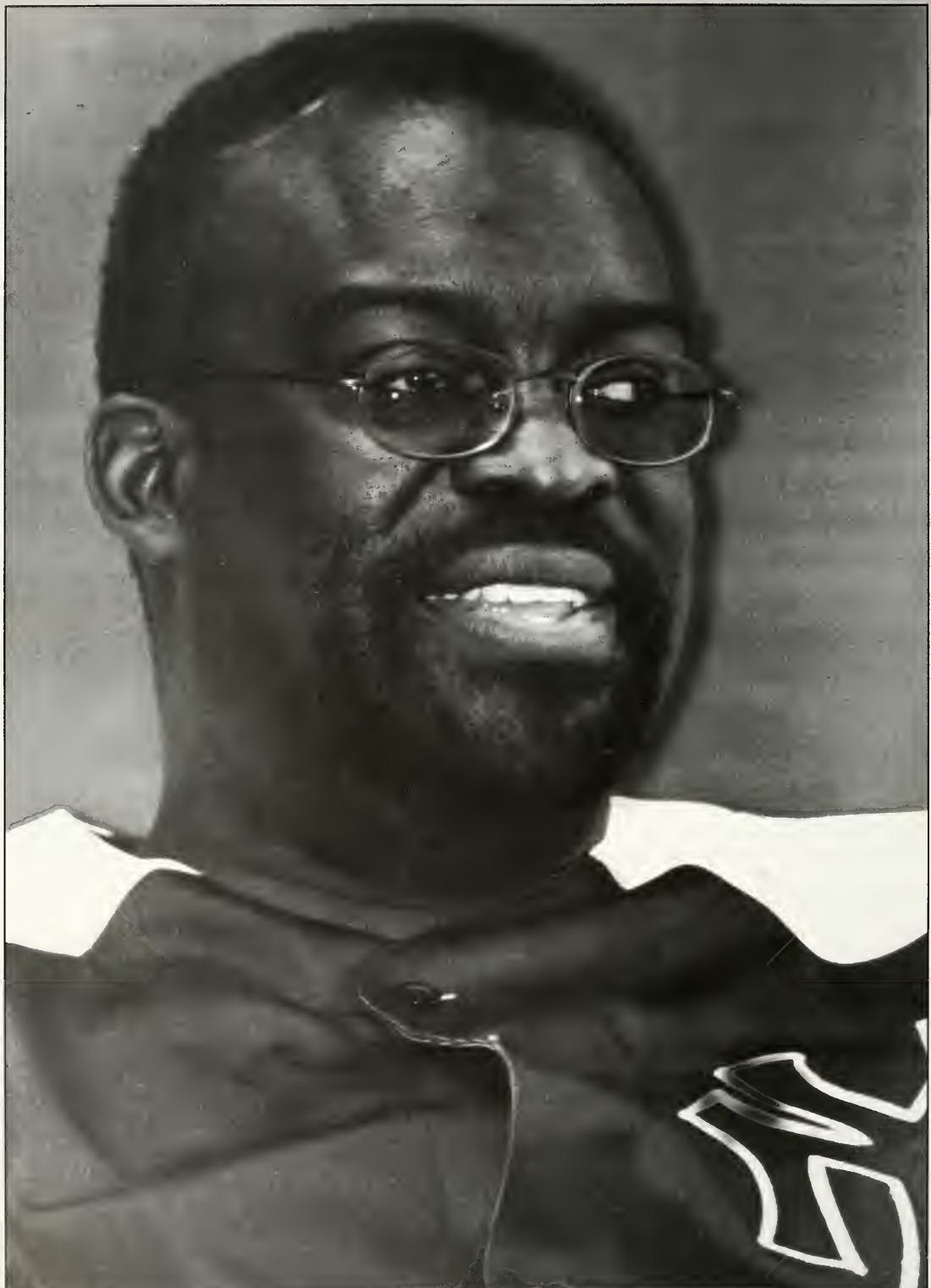
Back: Laura Key, Sharon Campbell Front: Tom Essenburg, Marty Songer, Laurie Green

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Information Services

Back: James Miles, Bob Hodge, Jack Letarte, Bill Lee, Larry Stoffel, Kim Johnson, T.R. Knight, Jean St. John, Alan Ours, Jim Wolff Front: Scott Wohlfarth, Jessie Lennertz, Roberta Ratliff, Jackie Armstrong, T.J. Higley, Sandy Johnson

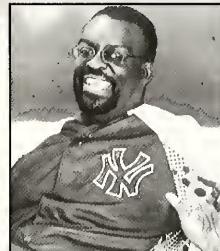


photos by Mike Schueler

spotlight

colleymore

bible professor



living through more than meets the eye

Bam! Bam! Bam! Professor Ron Collymore's thick fist meets the wooden desktop in three rapid successions. The sound echos through the desk's metal base and resonates throughout the classroom.

"What's that brother's name in the back?" Collymore asks. Timidly, a blonde-headed freshman looks up and quietly ventures, "Me?"

"Yeah you! What's your name," Collymore demands.

"Uh, it's Jon, sir."

"Jon, eh? Where you from?"

Now with slightly more courage, Jon replies, "Kansas."

"Kansas! Jon from Kansas! What's your major, Jon?"

"Computer science."

"Computer science! So you're not a people person are you? You're one of those computer people!"

Jon nods, half smiling, unsure how to respond to Collymore's barrage of questions.

Still unsatisfied with Jon's reaction, Collymore probes further. "You got a girlfriend, Jon?"

"Well, uh, no I guess."

"You want one?" Collymore asks, grinning.

Emphatically shaking his head, Jon answers silently.

"Jon from Kansas," Collymore muses, "... interesting."

Jon wasn't the only student to get the third degree. Most of Collymore's students have been asked the same four questions: name, hometown, major and dating status. Although Jon didn't find the ordeal funny, in his own way, Collymore was showing he cared enough to ask. At the very least, he had a good way to get the class' attention.

Fall semester's old testament survey classes didn't have the opportunity to experience Collymore's unique classroom personality, however. The professor was admitted to Ball Memorial Hospital in early September due to several serious medical problems. After multiple surgeries and weeks in intensive care, Collymore returned home. Though he returned to teaching in the spring, he is still recovering.

Describing this year as the most challenging of his life, Collymore said his experience taught him, "God doesn't forsake us..." After undergoing a temporary colostomy to manage a perforated colon, and brain surgery due to a malfunctioning shunt, he has much to be thankful for. Aside from emotional and physical scars Collymore was left with, including near blindness, the professor said that he believes the

"scariest thing, but yet the biggest blessing" is that he doesn't remember the majority of the ordeal. "God's been good to me. That's what I remember," he said. "God's been faithful, God is faithful — the fat lady hasn't sung yet. So, I know it's not over."

Teaching two sections of biblical literature this spring, despite doctor's advice, Collymore said returning to classes has been good for him, and "hopefully good for the students." He admitted, "First semester, I was bored out of my wits. I enjoy my students more than anything else; students give me life and give me hope. They make you realize that you can do things you don't think are possible."

Though it has not prevented his return to the lectern, Collymore's failing eyesight has presented an obstacle to his doctorate completion. Currently in the midst of his dissertation, Collymore said he "was getting a little discouraged" because of his eyesight, clinically called low vision. With the aid of a new computer and 19-inch monitor provided by the Coalition for the Blind and Deaf, Collymore soon will get back on the doctoral track. He was also given a text-magnifying device for reading printed materials.

Despite his small army of high-tech helpers, Collymore admits that his progress is "going slow, but it's going." Collymore said he hopes to finish his dissertation by December 2000 or January 2001. He added, "Getting back to the students and seeing all the difficulties they overcome helps me to know that, with God's help, I will overcome my difficulties and get my dissertation done."

Academics aside, Collymore said that he plans to make summer his "rejuvenation time." Anxious to return to his usual exercise regimen, Collymore said that he'll be back in the gym as soon as possible. He added that he also plans to spend as much time as possible with his son, Ruben, who, according to Collymore, is "doing fine," aside from being "a little shaken up by all the stuff I went through." As for next year, Collymore said that he will continue to "get better, teach Biblical literature, and finish his dissertation. Above all, Collymore is thankful for the chance to do so. He said that he owes a special debt to the people in Taylor's business department who worked diligently to raise financial support to help pay for his medical care. The person he wished to thank most, however, was the Lord. "God carried me through all those surgeries," he said. "He did more than just help me. He carried me."

by Mike Schueler

Leaving Taylor to be a stay-at-home mom,
Jane Bowser will miss being

director of new student orientation

Pam Parry



I'm one of those
people who
bleeds purple
and gold.

— Jane Bowser

— a final note —

Jane Bowser (right), the director of new student orientation, makes a note for her secretary, Judy Mouton. Mouton helps Bowser prepare for student development's programs for incoming freshmen and transfer students.

The square dance is
always one of my
favorite parts of
PROBE.

— Jane Bowser



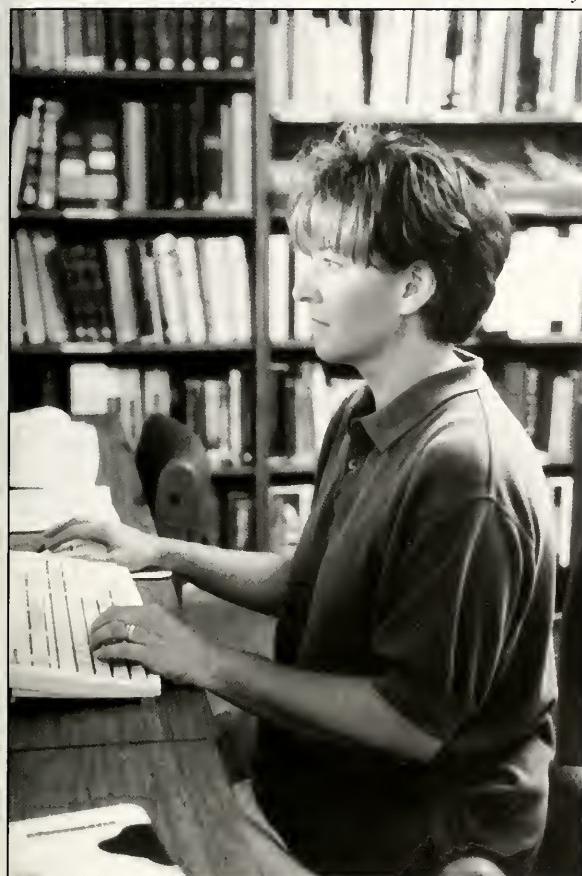
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Back: Dwight Jessup, Gene Rupp, Jay Kesler, Daryl Yost, Al Smith Front: Bob Hodge, Wynn Lembright



President's Office Secretaries
Brenda Mantha, Alberta Miller, Kiki Thalacker



Student Development
Back: Larry Mealy, Walt Campbell, Andre Broquard, Mike Row, Steve Austin, Tim Taylor, Michael Hammond, Beth Muthiah, Chuck Moore, Brent Ellis Front: Caryn Grimstead, Skip Trudeau, Mary Rayburn, Carol Mott, Sara Oyer, Lori Holtmann, Jane Bowser, Kash Kaur, Richard Allen Farmer, Troy Tiberi



finishing
up

Jane Bowser works on one of the computers in student development's lab area. Bowser, who has worked at Taylor for nine years, as Olson hall director and director of new student orientation, resigned at the end of the year to be a stay at home mom.

After nine years, Jane Bowser bids a fond farewell to Taylor University. Jane will be leaving her job to become a stay-at-home mother to her adopted daughter, Kendall Renee, who was born on October 13, 1999. Jane started her Taylor career as Olson Hall director, a position that she held for five years and will probably be best remembered for her work as the director of new student orientation. She refers to her new role as "director of Baby Bowser orientation."

Jane's favorite part of her job here at Taylor has been getting to know so many students, faculty and staff. Jane says that she would love to come back to Taylor someday.

"I'm one of those people who bleeds purple and gold," she said. Leaving is bittersweet for Jane, but "definitely worth it." Other highlights for Jane included the Welcome Weekend festivities, as well as the skits put on by the Probe Players.

"The square dance is always one of my favorite parts of Probe," Jane said. She said that it is "the overall enthusiasm that Probe leaders generate on this campus" that will be one of her greatest memories.

by Julie Cooper



Pam Parry

A major part of seniors' socialization happens in the union and in line at

the grille

The Grille. For seniors and a number of other lucky Taylor students, it is a safe haven, a place of refuge, an escape from the bland regimen of the dining commons. And for Penny Milholland, retail manager of the Grille, this refuge has been both her job and her home for more than five years.

Unbeknownst to many students, Milholland is the force that makes the Grille run. Her numerous duties include staffing, placing food orders, cash register reports, care package reports, as well as special events management. But her main job, she said, "is helping students get fed."

And with an average of 300 to 400 people who eat at the Grille daily, not to mention over 100 students who receive sack lunches, Milholland has her hands full. In fact, according to Milholland, Taylor students go through 10 cases of burgers and fries, eight to nine cases of chicken, 60 cases of chips and 18 to 19 trays of cookies and desserts – each week.

Milholland said she enjoys the student union's Grille atmosphere, although she feels that it is too small and needs to be updated. "[The Grille] is just the right place for me though," she added. "My job matches well with my lifestyle."

Though Milholland admitted that working at the Grille can sometimes be monotonous for both her and her staff, she said that getting to know the students is what makes the job worthwhile. "The girls really know our customers," she said, adding that a Grille worker is often familiar enough with students that she can hand them their favorite sandwiches without even being asked. Most of all, Milholland said that she enjoys the faces she knows. She added, "I really like the kids."

by Mike Schueler



Bookstore

Mary Harrold, Dick Ehrisman, Pam Pegg



Grille

Back: Martha Rennaker, Susan Malone, Jackie Jackson, Penny Milholland Front: Amy Nose



Post Office

Bev Klepser, Curtis Greer, Debra-Jo Rice, Barbara Fights

Mike Schueler



— going deli —

(above) Susan Malone is making sandwiches for seniors Craig Jagers and Christina Dulworth during lunch. Malone regularly works the Grille deli line during the day.

— getting it to go —

(right) Senior Sarah Nelson watches as her sandwich is being made. Aside from the deli line, the Grille also offers soup, salad, fast food items and "Grille cookies."

— grabbing a booth —

(left) Employed by Taylor, 1999 graduate Cory Rodeheaver (center) entertains senior friends Michelle Haywood, Kyle Romine and Jill Hess (clockwise from right). The Grille is a dining place primarily for faculty and seniors.



Mike Schueler

“
[The grille] is just the right place for me ... My job matches well with my lifestyle.
—Penny Milholland



Dining Commons

Dedicated Dining Commons workers take a break from their busy schedules. They provide an invaluable service to the university on a daily basis.



— Education Technology Center —

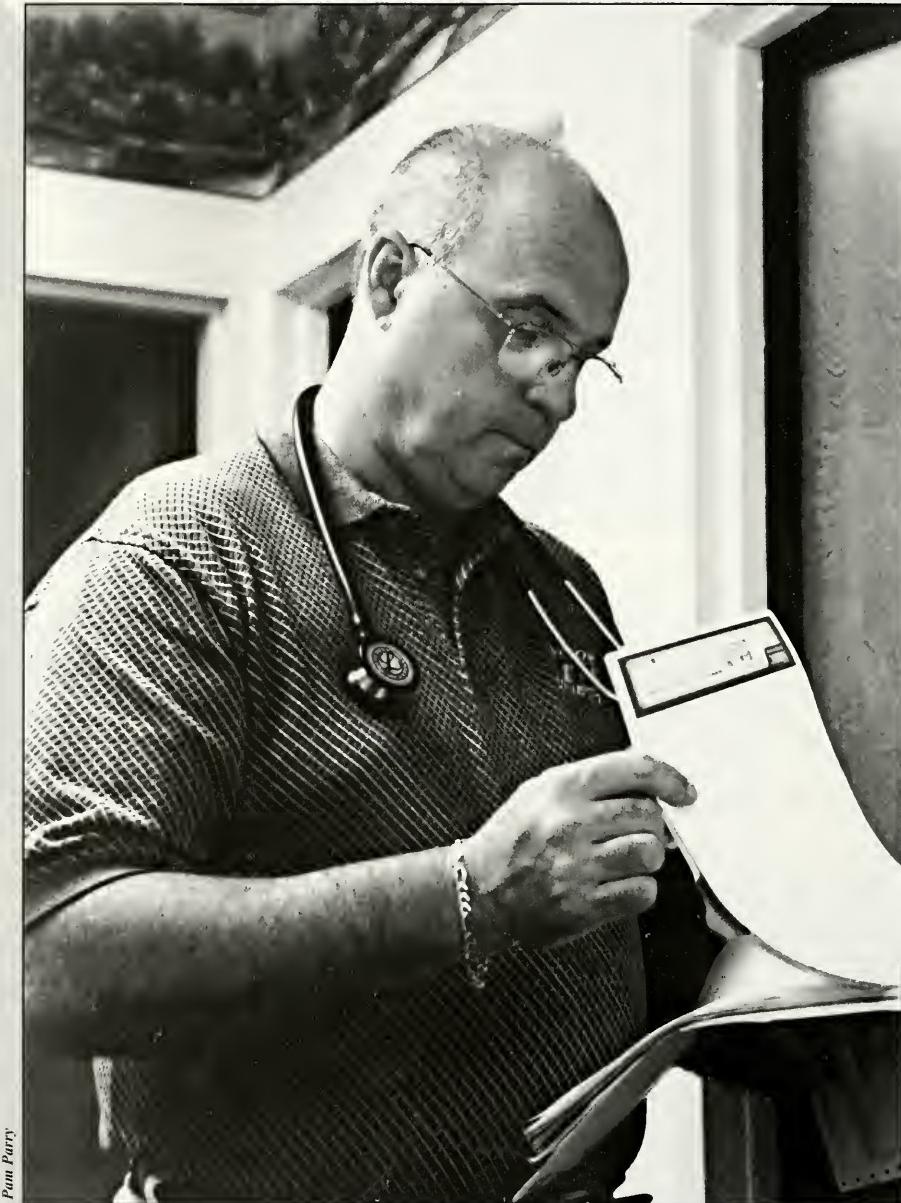
Back: Jim Kleist, Jeremiah Fyffe. Front: Judy Hill, Beth Trout, Lynne Winterholter, Barbara Ewbank

Health Center staff and students
encounter the addition of a

full-time campus doctor

— double checking —

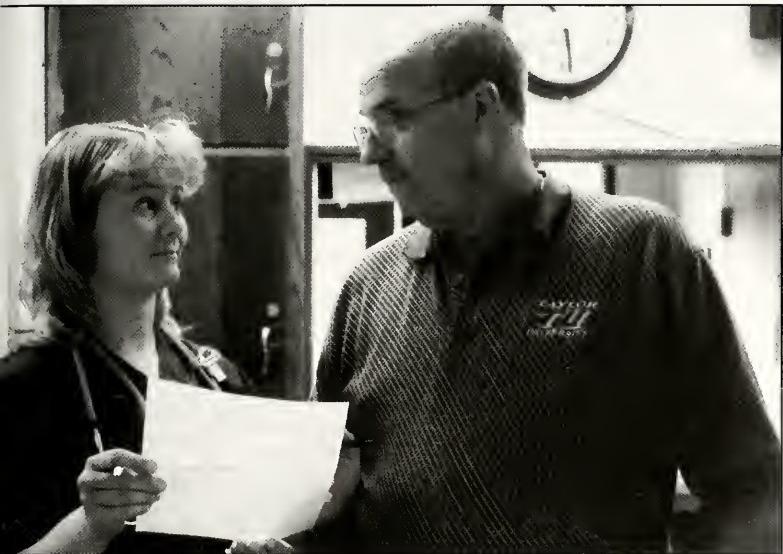
Nurse Janet Watson goes over a report with Dr. John Kennedy. Annette Payne, R.N., noted the greater ease in asking Kennedy questions now that he is in the office every weekday.



Pam Party

looking over the charts

Dr. John Kennedy studies the chart of the student whom he will now see. Kennedy has been the health center physician since 1996, but formed a full-time practice on campus just this year.



Pam Party

The doctor is in at the Haakonsen Health Center ... full time. On Jan. 1, after operating his practice from the Upland Health and Diagnostic Center for two years, Dr. John Kennedy permanently relocated his office to the campus health center where he now operates on a full-time basis.

Kennedy, who has served the health needs of the Taylor community since 1996, initially began at Haakonsen, but moved to the newly constructed Health and Diagnostic Center in 1998. Now he is excited to return to the environment he calls his favorite. "There are a lot of personal advantages to working here full-time," Kennedy comments. "The nursing staff is excellent, and the people are so friendly."

But his increased appearance on campus offers advantages for Taylor, too, including greater convenience and accessibility — for student and staff alike. Although the morning hours are usually reserved for patients in the surrounding community, Kennedy is still much more available in emergencies. He is more accessible to the nursing staff, as well, as Annette Payne, R.N. points out. "If we have questions about something, we can bounce them off of him without having to wait."

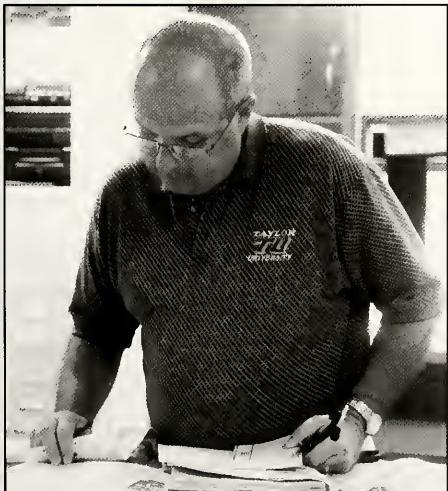
Kennedy's more permanent presence at the Haakonsen Health Center has also facilitated greater interaction between the Taylor and Upland communities. "It's great PR for Taylor," Lou Roth, R.N., remarks. "So many people from the community come in, and the students who are in here will talk with them while they wait."

The doctor's full-time status also contributes to a greater sense of security among students. Sophomore Amanda Nelson explains that Dr. Kennedy's more permanent position "makes students feel more confident in the treatment they're receiving."

by Kimberly Shumaker

— catching up —

Dr. John Kennedy checks the Marion Chronicle Tribune before his next patient arrives. Kennedy sees community patients primarily in the morning and has an open schedule for students in the afternoon.



Pam Party



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Housekeeping

Gary Barber, Linda Black, Carol Brock, Elizabeth Brown, Julia Cason, Rachel Calvin, Debbie Cheney, Laura Cook, Joyce Davis, Jim Gard, Dave Gray, Nora Harding, Paula Jarrett, Paula Keller, Harriet Kile, Gracie Kirby, Teresa May, Kellie Pace, Carol Parker, Betty Powers, Fred Richard, Barbara Rider, Linda Sheets, Bill Stoops, Gloria Underwood



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Grounds/Maintenance

Back: Bryan Huntsinger, Steve Harding, Jerry Stair, Dan Klepser, Pat Moore, Mike Cragun, Rod Boatwright, Jerry Underwood, Doug Randall, Rick Tedder, Mark Branham, Don Boatwright, Bill Stoops
Front: Paul Lightfoot, Bill Gross, Rita Puckett, Steve Puckett, Tim Schuler, Bill Gross, Mac Guffey, Tim Mannix, Steve Banter, Scott Bragg, Terrell Gramling, Roger Rayburn, Patty Haisley, Jeff Secrest



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Campus Safety

Back: Jonathan Duncan, Tim Enyeart, Terry Gugger, Elda Ivey, Mike Row, Zach Love
Front: Dara Johnson, Brian Honett, Mark Woodring



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Health Center

Linda Solms, Annette Payne, Lou Roth, Gloria Greentree

sports



The football team and coaching staff pray before the game, as the men do prior to each face-off. Spiritual well-being is an important aspect of Taylor sports.

(photo by Danielle Leas)



conference **CHAMPS**

The last time a Taylor men's tennis team won a conference championship was in 1996, when this year's seniors were freshmen. After two years of starting with high expectations only to come up short, the outcome of this season was anybody's guess.

The addition of new players was the variable that would determine whether the team would finally live up to its potential, slip into another second place finish or worse.

These questions were answered quickly. The 1999 season was characterized by dominance. After the first few matches of the season, there was little doubt that this team would be a force to be reckoned with in conference.

By the time the conference tournament came around, this seasoned team blew through all of its opponents to claim the conference crown and earn a spot in the national tournament in the spring. The new players proved to be the missing ingredient needed for a conference win.

by John McConda

the stats

men's fall season

taylor L	indianapolis
taylor W	tri-state
taylor W	at grace
taylor W	at rose hulman
taylor W	iwu
taylor W	huntington
taylor W	anderson
taylor W	marian
taylor W	at bethel
taylor W	goshen
taylor W	at cedarville

MCC Tournament: W

women's fall season

taylor L	ipfw
taylor W	grace
taylor W	at rose hulman
taylor W	iwu
taylor W	huntington
taylor L	marian
taylor L	at bethel
taylor L	at u of i
taylor W	anderson
taylor L	goshen

MCC Tournament: L

—forehand—

(right) Team captain Craig Evans returns another volley with force. Evans is the only senior on the team this year.



Eric Davis

team prayer

(above) Coach Don Taylor leads his team in a prayer before starting a tournament.



— umpf! —

Freshman Heather May puts a lot of power behind her hit. May played doubles with junior Stephanie Dunn.

Jim Gunninger



— piece o' cake —

(above) Freshman Abby Cox handles this one with ease. Cox finished the season with an 8-3 singles total.

(right) Back row: Dara Syswerda, Abby Cox, _____, Shenan DeRegibus, _____. Front row: Stephanie Dunn, Emily Tipton, Heather May, Renee Stoller, Kim Varner

showing **PROMISE**

The 1999 season brought major changes for the women's tennis team. Returning only two players from last year, this team was one of the youngest to take the courts in the 22-year history of women's tennis at Taylor.

Along with four new players, the team also gained two new coaches, Dara and Todd Syswerda. According to this year's captain, Emily Tipton, one of the team's main goals was to "win the matches where we were the better team."

The highlight of the year came at the conference tournament in Indianapolis. Facing Goshen, one of the toughest teams in the conference, the Trojans held out until the last match, finally losing 5-4.

Beyond the win/loss columns and tournaments, the girls also enjoyed "sharing with teammates, helping each other grow in Christ," Tipton said. "This, more than anything, brought the team together."

— by John McConda —

Jim Gunninger



a spectacular SEASON

The 1999 Trojans were statistically the most dominant football team to ever represent Taylor University. In Taylor football's 51-year history, no team has ever advanced as far in the national playoffs or had a better record. The Trojans rolled to 9-1 in the regular season and were ranked as high as 5th on the NAIA national poll. Jim Wheeler Memorial Field was the site of the first playoff game to be hosted by a Taylor football team. It was also the site of the first playoff win in team history.

"This season was very successful," senior running back Quinn Hirschy said. "Our team was like no other in the country, because we came together as one."

Indeed, this year's Trojans were better than most teams in the country. However, after defeating Missouri Valley in the first round of playoffs, Taylor traveled to Kentucky to face the No. 1 seed, Georgetown, for the second round. There, the team was defeated, ending its season at 10-2.

— by John McConda —

the stats

There's a unity here that doesn't exist on a football team from a secular school. This team was something special.
—Todd Bragg,
senior

taylor 33	anderson 6
taylor 28	tri-state 13
taylor 49	urbana 19
taylor 23	iowa wesleyan 12
taylor 7	st. xavier 3
taylor 33	walsh 21
taylor 21	mckendree 42
taylor 20	olivet nazarene 13
taylor 30	st. ambrose 24
taylor 23	trinity 20

NAIA Playoffs
taylor 38 missouri valley 12
taylor 3 georgetown 55



Eric Davis

**— staking a claim —**

In the home opener against Anderson, senior running back Anwar Smith leads the Trojans onto the field and plants the Taylor flag.

— waiting —

(left) Defensive linemen, senior Chad Wilt and junior Chad Parker, watch from the sidelines between defensive stands. Taylor's defense was one of its biggest strengths this year.



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**Our team
was like no
other in the
country,
because we
came
together as
one.
—Quinn
Hirschy,
senior**

hanging on

(below) Senior running back Quinn Hirschy holds on as a Trinity player tries to strip the ball.

a spectacular SEASON

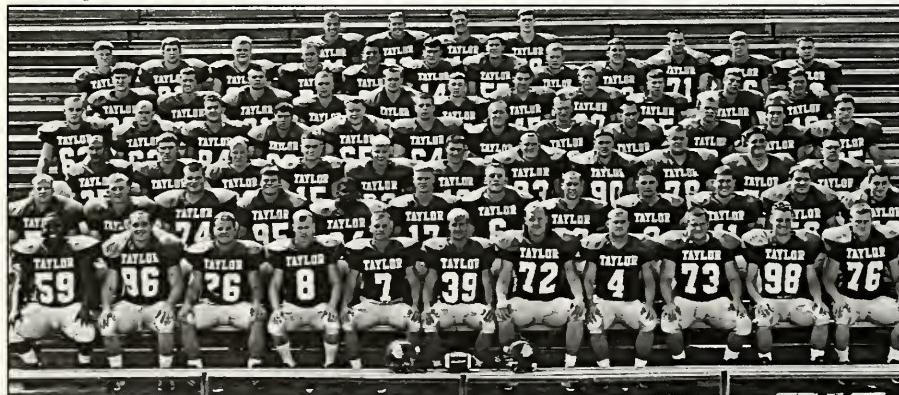
no option

Senior linebacker Justin Heth attempts to intercept a Trinity option play.



Jim Garris

Eric Davis



Adam Ashoff, Jonah Atteberry, Tab Bamford, Richard Benberry, Kyle Bertrand, Scott Blackford, Matthew Blandin, Todd Bragg, Mike Brick, Luke Cherry, Chris Chiero, Nate Clark, William Clough, Josh Cole, Ben Dalrymple, Will Deeds, Josh Dickinson, Jason Duke, Rob Duplain, Sean Eden, Chris Emcott, Brent Farrell, Andy Flanigan, Jeremy Flynn, Eric Freckman, Dustin Garrison, Josh Gerber, Ben Godfrey, Kyle Gould, Matt Graham, Mike Gunter, Andy Haeck, Justin Harrison, Aric Hartvig, Scott Herr, Josh Hershey, Justin Heth, Joey Heth, Quin Hirschy, Jeff Jagulli, Jon Jenkins, Erik Johansen, Sam Jones, Mike Kenney, Chris Kent, Josh Kijanko, Andy Krider, Ryan Kunc, Mike Laman, Andrew Liechty, Clyde Meredith, William Merritt, David Miller, Jason Minich, John Molineux, Mike Moser, Jeff Murphy, David Needs, Wes Nicely, Jamie Ostrander, Kenneth Overton, Chad Parker, Ryan Ray, Brock Ricks, Jeremy Roberts, Anwar Smith, Josh Sooy, Gerald Stanley, Jim Stewart, Zeke Turner, Scott Tyree, Adam Vincent, Rudy Vugteveen, Jeff Walton, Ian Warkentien, Josh Westerfield, Chad Wilt



Havilah Pauley



— biggest fan —

This young girl holds up her sign to cheer on Ben Godfrey. The Trojan fans were an important part of the season's success.

— plowing through —

(below) Senior quarterback Jon Jenkins crashes through two Anderson tacklers for more yardage



jim wheeler

A very well-known student around Taylor's campus in the late 1970s was James (Jim) Wheeler. During his years at Taylor, Wheeler touched the hearts of many of his peers and faculty members. Wheeler used his musical abilities as a way to make himself known in the community. Jim was very involved around campus. He held office for various organizations. After

having been involved for three years on the Student Union Board of Taylor University, he was elected president his senior year.

At the age of 22, he was diagnosed with cancer. Receiving such terrible news was one of the toughest things he had ever dealt with. He was constantly asking God why he had allowed this to happen to him. After struggling with so many questions, he realized that the only thing he could do was live every day for Christ — and that is exactly what he did.

James Wheeler died of cancer on Sept. 19. In 1981, the Wheeler Memorial Football Stadium was built in honor of this young and talented Taylor graduate.

Eric Davis





Eric Davis



Jim Gurninger

ace

(left) Kathy Esarey, Erin Lastoria, Kim Martin and Brittany Huyser celebrate an ace with a team clap.

Back row: Cara Phillips, Kendra Blackford, Angie Fincannon, Kris Broquard, Laurie Mitchell, Tammy Smith, Amy Stucky. Second row: Caterine Leiva, Amy Croft, Brittany Huyser, Erin Lastoria, Stephanie Teeters, Kim Martin, Alison Mathews. Front row: Kathy Esarey, Amber McClure



denied

(above) Amy Croft and Stephanie Teeters execute a block against a Marian hitter.



for Him we play TO WIN

This was a landmark year for Taylor volleyball. The season saw several changes and some new faces, plus the result was one of the most successful records in Taylor volleyball history.

With a preseason ranking of 11th in the NAIA and a 46-7 record the previous year, the Lady Trojans were expected to have another dominating season this year. They didn't disappoint. The team pounded through the regular season and regional tournament to earn another berth in the NAIA nationals for the third time in school history.

"This was the most talented team I have ever played on, even on the bench," senior Brittany Huyser said. She added that along with a desire to win, the team "stressed unity" and "serving God."

This year's team also boasted first team All-Conference selection Amy Croft, honorable mention All-Conference Caterine Leiva and All-Conference Player of the Year Brittany Huyser.

The Lady Trojans finished the season with a record of 37-13.

by John McConda

time out
Coach Angie Fincannon takes a break in the action to make some adjustments on the court.



the stats

taylor 3 csm 0
taylor 3 tri-state 0
taylor 3 cedarville 0
taylor 3 indiana wesleyan 1
taylor 3 grace 0
taylor 3 georgetown 1
taylor 3 bethel 0
taylor 3 spaulding 0
taylor 2 marian 3
taylor 2 olivet nazarene 0
taylor 3 huntington 1
taylor 3 goshen 0
taylor 3 indianapolis 0
taylor 3 st. francis 0
taylor 3 illinois-springfield 0

tournaments:

western state	W4 L1
cornerstone	W2 L2
madonna	W4 L0
graceland	W2 L3
olivet nazarene	W2 L0
taylor/sprint	won tourney
iwu	W1 L2
mcc 1st round	W1 L0
mcc finals	W2 L0
regional	W2 L0
NAIA national	WI L3

This was the most talented team I have ever played on, even on the bench.
—Brittany Huyser, senior



Photos by Eric Davis and Havilah Pauley

spotlight

caterine leiva

volleyball



worth the wait here by the power of prayer

It has been a long day. Caterine Leiva has been dealing with a dilemma. She has achieved her dream of attending a Christian university, but now is faced with a problem that could jeopardize that dream. Her home country of Honduras wants her and her volleyball skills returned. She must now choose between giving up her dream, thus returning home, or staying at Taylor and never being allowed admittance in to Honduras again.

A few hours later, it is time for floor prayer on the first floor of Swallow Robin, and now Caterine (or "Cat," as her friends call her) is smiling. Earlier, she asked for prayer about the issue, and her floor mates pledged to remember her request throughout the week.

When her friends ask for an update on the situation, Caterine simply says, "The president just called and told me it was okay." The other girls are stunned. "The president of what?" one asks. "Honduras," she says matter-of-factly.

This event is just the latest in Caterine's long journey toward her goal of graduating from a Christian university. For most prospective students, the choice of a college is a process that takes only a few months. For Caterine, coming to Taylor this year is the answer to a 10-year prayer.

Caterine has been dreaming of playing volleyball for Taylor since 1989. It was during that summer that Taylor's track team visited her hometown of Tegucigalpa during a missions trip. Though she was already a Christian, Caterine was greatly impressed by the team's witness.

One member in particular had a profound impact on her Christian life. He prayed with her and told her that, if she really wanted to come to Taylor, she should start praying immediately for God's provision in the matter.

Thus began a decade of prayer and hard work for Caterine. Knowing that sports could be a way to earn a scholarship, she worked hard at volleyball. She eventually was selected to play for the Honduras national team. Soon after, a coach for Miami Dade Community College came to Honduras to recruit players and selected Caterine. After finishing her two years there, she received an unexpected scholarship, making an education possible.

Caterine has certainly taken a long road to get to Taylor, but she is happy to have trusted God to send her. When someone asks her how she came to be at Taylor, she is always quick to respond with, "I'm here because God wanted me here."

by John McConda

focused on the GOAL

This year's women's soccer team continued with surprising successes. In just its fourth year in existence, the team rolled to another winning season, going 13-4. In its first four years combined, the team is 38-24 and in the past two years, it is 23-9.

This season got off to a blazing start, as the Trojans won their first two, then reeled off seven straight wins after a gut-checking loss to Indiana Wesleyan. After its last two losses of the regular season, the team finished out with two more wins heading into the finals.

The first two rounds of the conference tournament brought Marian, then Goshen both of who the Trojans soundly defeated, 5-1 and 4-1, respectively. This set up a rematch in the finals with Indiana Wesleyan. In this game, which sophomore Karen Phelps called "our best game of the year," the Trojans fought hard to avenge their earlier loss, but eventually lost 0-2.

"We really enjoyed being together, both on and off the field," junior Karen Staffin said. "Having such a good season just made it even more exciting."

by John McConda

Jim Garringer



Jim Garringer



the stats

We had a
good
season,
because we
worked hard
and
deserved it.

—Jennifer
Lucas

taylor 2	indiana tech 0
taylor 5	cornerstone 2
taylor 0	indiana wesleyan 6
taylor 2	bethel 0
taylor 3	anderson 0
taylor 5	manchester 1
taylor 2	cedarville 0
taylor 2	goshen 0
taylor 2	grace 1
taylor 7	mariam 1
taylor 0	earlham 1
taylor 1	st. francis 4
taylor 2	spalding 0
taylor 8	huntington 0
taylor 5	mariam 1
taylor 4	goshen 1
taylor 0	indiana wesleyan 2

final record: 13-4



backup

Freshman Kelly Goben advances on the ball as junior Heather Rogers follows.

We really enjoyed being together, both on and off the field. Having such a good season just made it even more exciting.

—Karen Staffin

high kick

(left) Freshman midfielder Abigail Rice shows some fancy footwork, and junior Jessica Green looks on.

women's soccer —

Back row: Larry Mealy, Jessica Vandermeulen, Cathy Sopciak, Debbie Douglass, Abigail Grinnell, Jennifer Lucas, Vicki Siegrist, Sheri Jardine, Gwen Ludeman, Karen Staffin, Alex Kenworthy Second row: Karen Phelps, Emily Richmond, Jessica Green, Becky Painter, Abigail Rice, Rebecca Woolmington, Heather Rogers Front row: Kelly Goben, Hannah Fielden, Kerstin Goldsby, Brooke Schupra, Catherine Alexander



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a wild RIDE

The 1999 Taylor men's soccer team went for a roller coaster ride during the season. This year's team was characterized by streaks of wins and losses, highs and lows and battles for consistency.

The first bright spot came in the opener against Indiana Tech where the Trojans prevailed 2-0. However, in the following weeks, the team lost seven matches in a row before finally ending the skid, defeating St. Mary's 1-0 and going on to win two more in a row. The team dropped the next four, however, and finished the regular season at 5-12.

In the conference tournament, the Trojans did show signs of promise for next year. The team beat the favored St. Francis in the opening round before losing to Indiana Wesleyan, 2-1.

Junior Stuart Davis cited the team's lack of experience as a cause for its inconsistency. He added that the team was "really tight on and off the field" and the team "had [its] ups and downs, but we finished well."

by John McConda

"
We were
really tight
on and off
the field.
[We] had
our ups and
downs, but
we finished
well.
—Stuart
Davis, junior

the stats

taylor 2	indiana tech 0
taylor 0	indianapolis 4
taylor 1	indiana wesleyan 2
taylor 0	earlham 5
taylor 1	bethel 7
taylor 0	goshen 1
taylor 1	st. mary's 0
taylor 2	grace 0
taylor 2	wabash 1
taylor 0	marian 1
taylor 0	ohio dominican 1
taylor 0	st. francis 4
taylor 1	madonna 0
taylor 4	huntington 0
taylor 0	trinity christian 6
taylor 1	indiana wesleyan 2

final record: 6-13

Eric Davis



— field vision —

(left) Freshman Clint Sullivan looks downfield for a scoring opportunity.

Eric Davis



— double team —

Two teammates work together to steal the ball from the other team.

— defense —

A member of Taylor's defensive attempts to cut off his opponent.



Eric Davis

the final SECONDS

The last game of the season for this year's basketball team came down to the last shot. Trying to repay an overtime loss that occurred just four days prior, the Trojans played Marian to a draw with three seconds left when a last chance three-pointer ended the game and the season at with Taylor losing 19-14.

Senior Brian Ross saw this year's team as unique. "It was an enjoyable season. We had the best unity I've seen in my four years here," he said.

The 1999-2000 team displayed more than just talent. This team was also about heart. Despite the loss of three seniors from last season, these men refused to write it off as a "rebuilding year." They fought hard, right out of the gate—reeling off six straight wins to start the season and surprising many critics. In the middle of the schedule, the Trojans went through weak streaks, losing three in a row before coming back to win another five straight. Near the end of the season, the team intensified its rivalry with Marian College. In three contests, Taylor won the first showdown in Odle Gymnasium 82-78 in overtime, before losing the last regular season game in overtime and the final game on the season-ending buzzer beater.

by John McConda

the stats

It was an
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season. We
had the best
unity I've
seen in my
four years
here.
—Brian
Ross, senior

taylor 40 *tri-state* 52
taylor 65 *purdue-calumet* 57
taylor 87 *goshen* 54
taylor 44 *st. francis* 76
taylor 74 *iwu* 81
taylor 54 *huntington* 66
taylor 67 *grace* 64
taylor 59 *bethel* 82
taylor 82 *marian* 78
taylor 78 *goshen* 64
taylor 70 *st. francis* 81
taylor 77 *iwu* 68
taylor 79 *huntington* 71
taylor 74 *grace* 61
taylor 80 *bethel* 89
taylor 92 *marian* 95

tournaments:

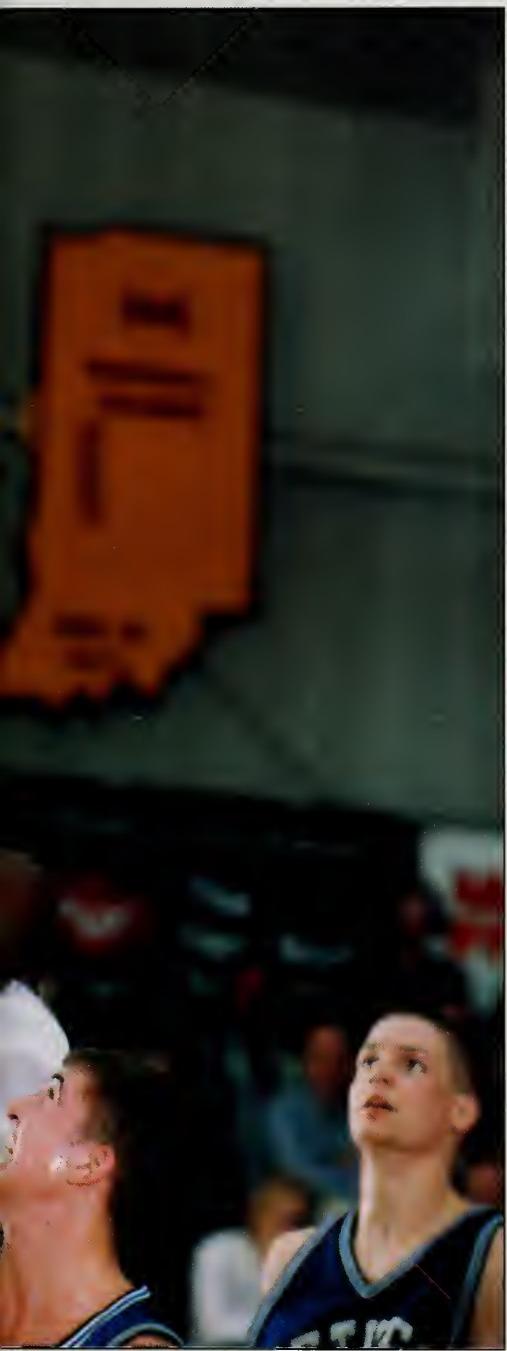
taylor tip off classic *W2 L0*
asbury tourn. *W2 L0*
taylor invitational *W2 L0*
columbia tourn. *W0 L2*
pioneer classic *W1 L1*
ivanhoe classic *W2 L0*
heidelberg tourn *W2 L0*
shawnee st. classic *W1 L1*

mcc conference tournament:
taylor 72 *marian* 75

final record: 19-13



Jim Garringer



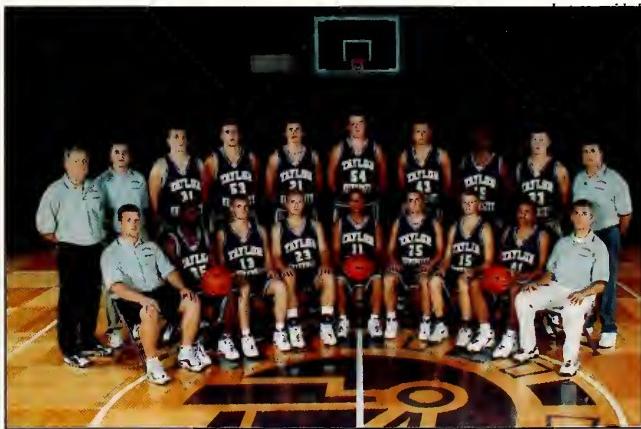
two points

Junior Alan Jones drives past a Bethel defender for a quick basket.



catching air

Sophomore Tyson Jones soars above a Grace College defender and toward the basket.



men's basketball

Back row: Paul Patterson, Chris Holtmann, Brian Bickel, Pete Schreur, Nate Epple, Adam Musters, Ryan Rykse, Jodie Lynch, Brian Ross, Jerome Foley Front row: Lazaro Fernandez, Alan Jones, Trent Schrader, Jabin Newhouse, Tyson Jones, Nick David, Ben Essenburg, Jason Morgan, Cory Jackson

a strong FINISH



looking

Sophomore Michelle Noyes looks for an opening for a quick pass in the Lady Trojans' game against Marian.



hussle

Sophomore Michelle Noyes and freshman Carrie Chivington tightly guard a Marian player.

taylor 80 william woods 70
taylor 51 lindenwood 61
taylor 87 siena heights 71
taylor 63 lipscomb 82
taylor 72 cumberland 74
taylor 71 cedarville 75
taylor 76 ohio dom 74
taylor 63 tri-state 72
taylor 68 spring arbor 88
taylor 77 indiana tech 74
taylor 69 albion 76
taylor 60 concordia 55
taylor 74 goshen 81
taylor 64 st. francis 84
taylor 75 iwu 49
taylor 52 huntington 56
taylor 63 grace 55

taylor 74 bethel 60
taylor 65 marian 53
taylor 66 goshen 62
taylor 51 st. francis 73
taylor 69 iwu 52
taylor 55 huntington 37
taylor 80 grace 48
taylor 67 bethel 66
taylor 59 marian 50
taylor invitational 1W 1L
hanover college tour 1W 1L
olivet tourney 1W 1L

MCC Tournament

taylor 57 marian 39
taylor 67 huntington 57
taylor 47 st. francis 63

final record: 20-15

court vision

Sophomore Bridget Carlson looks for a hole in the defense.

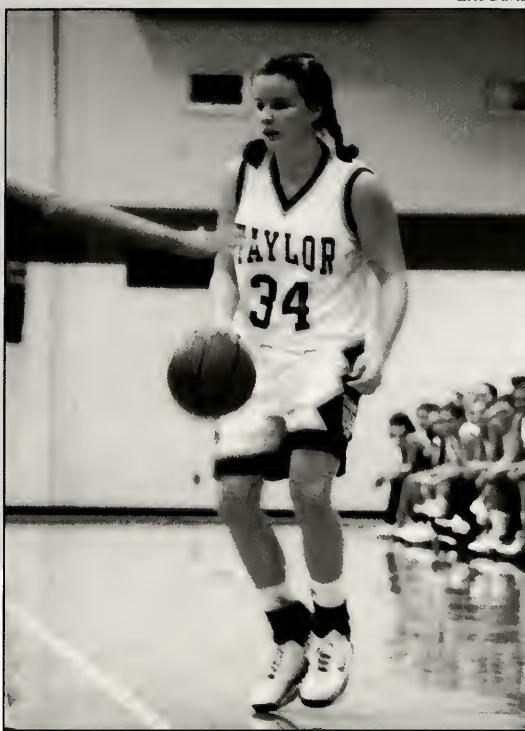


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women's basketball

Back row: Andy Meneely, Lori Klotz, Carrie Chivington, Erica Haessler, Paige Chapman, Corrine Taylor, Coach Scott, Coach Krause Second row: Bridget Carlson, Megan Lightfoot, Allison Kura, Krista Dennison, Kristin Easterhaus Front row: Carrie Fields, Julie Rubel, Jessa Turner, Melissa Sims, Erin Hutton, Michelle Noyes, Jen Peak

This year's women's basketball team took steps to getting back to the glory days of 1996 and 1997. Still a young team dealing with injuries, the players overcame adversity and tough losses at the beginning of the year to finish strong.

In the MCC tournament, the Lady Trojans plowed through the first round and semifinals, beating Marian and Huntington by wide margins before losing to St. Francis in the final game.

"We had a slow start, but we were playing good teams," junior Krista Dennison said. "Towards the middle of the season, though, we started putting our talents together."

For junior Erin Hutton, some of seasons' highs came when off of the court. "The most important part of being on the team for me is the friendships I've developed. We've shared common struggles and successes that made us a more closely knit group."

— by John McConda —

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being on the team for me is the
friendships I've developed.
—Erin Hutton

spotlight

krista dennison

women's basketball



Crossover learning the hard way

Krista Dennison is a changed woman. She smiles as she tells her story, her hands making expressive gestures and tossing a basketball back and forth. "I was really mean and I knew it," she explains. "People look at me now and think I'm crazy because I'm happy, and I really care about them."

Krista attributes all of the changes in her life to her faith in God. She became a Christian during her senior year of high school. She went to lunch with one of her friends and he gave his testimony, then invited her to church. "I could identify with him because he used to do some of the same things I was doing," Krista explains.

Before she became a Christian, Krista was deeply involved with the party scene. She confesses heavy drinking and illegal drug use. "I was definitely into the secular world," she says. "I was searching for my purpose in this world, but I never knew it was God I was looking for."

As a result of her new faith, she lost many of her friends. Krista is the youngest of four children in a family where no one is a Christian, so dealing with her family was another challenge. "It's hard to go to church by myself and see families there," she admits. "My parents have noticed the change in me, and they've started to ask about it more. I'm excited to see how God works in it."

A junior on the women's basketball team, Krista is new to Taylor this year. She played basketball at Vincennes in Southern Indiana for two years before transferring to Taylor. "I wanted to come to Taylor for the Christian atmosphere," she says.

Krista adds that Taylor is not all that she thought it would be. After living all her life in a secular environment where she was talking to people who knew nothing about the gospel, she says that the Christian atmosphere at Taylor is outside her comfort zone. But she has experienced Christian community with her basketball teammates through team devotions and prayer. "My teammates challenge me in my

faith," Krista says.

She smiles wider as she talks about basketball. She joined her first team when she was eight years old, but she has played basketball with the kids in her neighborhood all her life. "God has used basketball to teach me lessons and help me grow," she says.

Krista says that basketball at Taylor is very different from basketball at Vincennes because the focus is not only on winning. "We don't take our talent for granted. Our passion for basketball is from God, and we play for Him. He is our motivation," she adds.

As Krista looks forward to her final season playing college basketball, she says she has begun to think of who she is aside from basketball. She is a sports management major, and she would like to own a fitness center one day. "My dream has always been to coach basketball," she says.

In addition to her passion for basketball, Krista has a passion for evangelism. She says that her purpose in life is to bring people to God. "It is my responsibility to let them know how He has changed me," she explains.

Krista says the tattoo on her right ankle reminds her of this purpose for her life. The tattoo is the Christian fish symbol, or ichthus, and Greek letters IΧΟΥΕ mean "Jesus Christ, God's son, Savior." Krista says that she has had non-Christians ask her what it means, thinking that she belongs to a sorority, so she uses it as a witnessing tool. "The true meaning is a feeling. It reminds me that God is with me and he's never going to leave. It reminds me of when I first gave my life to Christ," Krista explains.

Krista observes that through her past, she has learned many lessons that have made her faith stronger. "I've learned my lesson the hard way, but it's a good way," she says. "It just goes to show how awesome God is, that a person could change this much."

by Hillary Boss



photos by Eric Davis

— last push —

Junior Tim Kitonyi clears a hill on his way to the finish line.

**State of mind is
much more essential
in a cross country
race than
preparation. Five
miles is nothing
more than a matter
of survival.**

—Eric Olson



Jim Gurringer

— finish line —

Freshman Scott Cleveland finishes strong at the Taylor Invitational.



Jim Gurringer

the stats

taylor invitational	1st
indiana intercollegiates	1st
friendship invitational	1st
note dame invitational	18th
uw-parkside invitational	3rd
great midwest classic	3rd

MCC Championship:	1st
NCCAA Nationals:	2nd
NAIA Nationals:	7th



eyes on the **PRIZE**

1999's version of the Jarheads (as they are affectionately known around campus) posted another competitive season and showed glimpses of greater things yet to come. The team was ranked as high as third nationally and was in the race for the top spot throughout the season. Three Jarheads won honors this season, as Gabriel Rop was named NAIA and NCCAA All-American. Also earning an NCCAA All-American nod was Tim Hoeflinger, and Mike Sandelin was honored with a scholar athlete distinction.

"I'm pleased with our season." Said junior Tim Hoeflinger. "We had a lot of good performances, and we are bringing back six of our top seven runners next year to compete for the top spot."

In the final meet, the Jarheads finished 7th overall, but just 26 points shy of 3rd place, which is a narrow margin in a meet. The team looks to close that gap next year and make a run for the crown.

starting gate

The team gathers as one, waiting for the opening gun of the Taylor Invitational.

by John McConda

running LIKE MAD

"Girls' Cross Country" is a term that is rarely heard around Taylor's campus. Instead, one is more likely to hear about the Maddawgs, a group of young women known as much for its chanting and barking as for its ability to run faster than some four-legged animals.

The 1999 version of the Mad Dawgs carried on the tradition with another successful season. Here is a word from team co-captains, Kristina Ammerman and Jody Thompson.

"WE ARE THE MADDAWGS COULDN'T BE PROUDER; IF YOU CAN'T HEAR US, WE'LL BARK A LITTLE LOUDER!"

Even though some things change, other things remain the same. Maddawgs always run day after day, bark loud and proud and possess an inner desire to irk the Jarheads! We will forever be the "naked people," sing on Friday runs and remain friends.

This year brought about some changes in the program. This season God led five new runners and two new coaches to the team. With new leadership came differences in training strategies — what Maddawg could forget the DUNES(!), two-a-days, 50-mile weeks, mile repeats, tee-to-greens and Coach Cinder's monster cookies.

Even with the changes, the Maddawgs' unity grew stronger with every practice. Every day each of us found ourselves leaving the locker room after a grueling practice, physically exhausted, emotionally stretched, yet spiritually stronger and hoping "I Will Survive."

Our season culminated at the Conference meet, where five Maddawgs finished under 20 minutes, making the 1999 Maddawgs the finest women's cross country team in Taylor's history. Although we didn't reach our goal of winning conference, we accomplished our primary goal — glorifying God through our running — and we exceeded our expectations for overall team performance, which can be summed up with the words of Coach Coy: "Oh Yeah! Oh, Yeah! Oh, Yeah!"

Change is inevitable, but three things will remain steadfast: God is the same yesterday, today and forever; cross country is eternal; and we are the Maddawgs!

- teamwork -

Individual runners come together as a team in a pre-race huddle.



Eric Davis

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Even with the changes, the Maddawgs' unity grew stronger with every practice.
—Kristina Ammerman, Jody Thompson

the stats

anderson invitational	1st
taylor invitational	2nd
indiana intercollegiates	4th
friendship invitational	4th
earlham invitational	5th
uw-parkside invitational	5th
great midwest classic	6th

MCC Championship: 3rd
NCCAA Nationals: 6th

— the team —
Team members wait together while Coach Chris Coy cheers on the rest of the Maddawgs.



women's cross country

Kristina Ammerman, Kara Adams, Kelli Bowers, Michelle Brate, Melissa Brown, Lisa D'Agostina, Christel Deal, Emily Honett, Jamie Jorg, Kristen Kloosterhaus, Julie Nor, Meredith Saylor, Caroline Stringfellow, Jody Thompson, Katy Benhardus, Nicole Bragg, Amanda Brown, Rachel Clark, Danielle Dutcher, Meg Halgren, Sheri Jardine, Candy Kemp, Amber Kostelný, Megan Saylor, Connie Sparks, Jessica Thompson, Rachel Mead



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the race

Junior Nicole Bragg digs deep to finish strong in this meet.

the line up

Sophomore Jared Seaman lines up his putt. He's looking for the way the putt breaks.



the stats

at manchester	7th
taylor invitational	3rd
at huntington	4th
at grace	4th
at marian	2nd
at st. francis	3rd
NAIA Region 8 tournament	5th
MCC Tournament	2nd

par for the COURSE

The 2000 Taylor golf team continued its rise to success. Still a very young team, the Trojans returned only two seniors this season and no juniors. Coach Joe Romine looked to his two seniors, Jeff Nicoson and Wes Kent, to provide leadership this year and they came through, finishing first and third on the team, respectively, in the regional tournament.

For the second year in a row, the team finished in second place in the Mid-Central

Conference, no small feat for a team so young.

"We had a lot more potential than we showed this season," said sophomore Jon Fall. "We are young and will have a chance to mature and prove ourselves in the next couple of years."

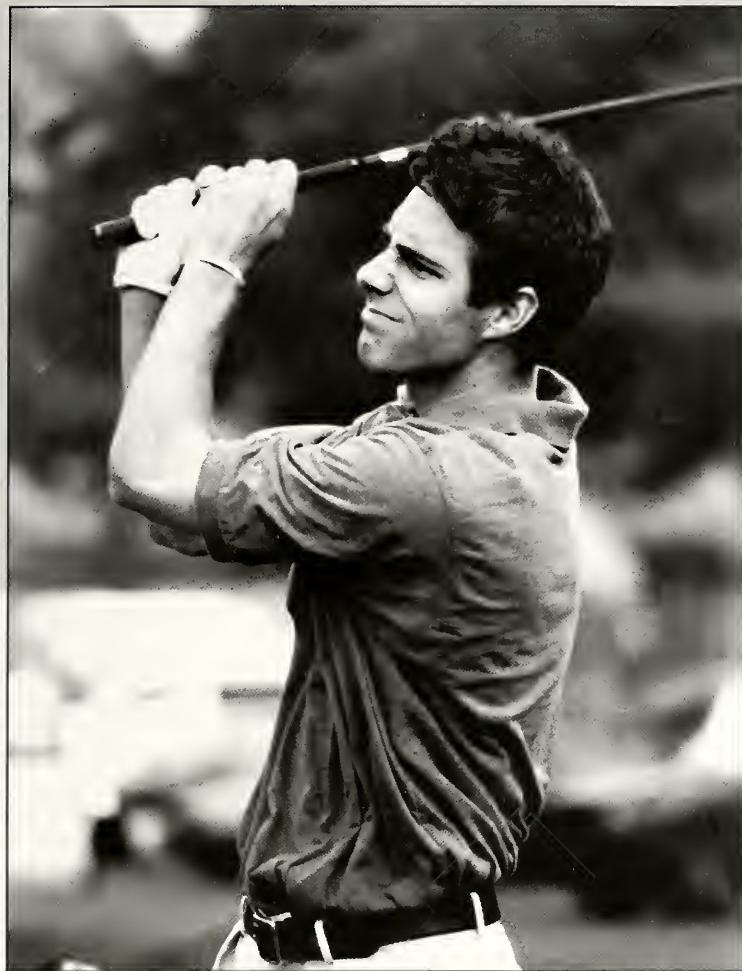
If the team can keep up their consistency in the next two years, it is only a matter of time before these underclassmen mature and become a major contenders to win the conference.

by John McConda

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—Jon Fall

Mike Schueler



Mike Schueler

-follow through -

(left) Senior Wes Kent watches his shot at the regional tournament. Kent has been on the team since his freshman year.

Jim Garringer



putt-putt —

(left) Freshman Aryn Linenger looks to see if his putt was successful. Linenger was one of three freshmen on this year's team.

golf —

(above) Back row: Aryn Linenger, Chad Raymond, Coach Joe Romine, Jon Fall, Jared Seaman. Front row: Jeff Nicoson, Wes Kent

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Despite continued discouragement, God used this season to mold us as people of patience and perseverance in the midst of troubles.
—Heather Jagers,
Michelle Toy



Havilah Pauley

— home team —

Sophomore Heather Jagers leads a cheer during a home football game against Anderson. This is Jagers' second year as a Taylor cheerleader.

leading in the CHEERS

This year's cheerleading squad excelled despite many challenges. Below, squad members Heather Jaggers and Michelle Toy explain how the team overcame the obstacles:

"We continue to shout our praise even when we're hemmed with troubles, because we know how troubles can develop passionate patience within us, and how that patience in turn forges the tempered steel of virtue, keeping us alert for whatever God will do next."

~Romans 5:3-4 (The Message)

These verses spoke volumes to our cheerleading squad during the 1999-2000 season. This past year taught us what it meant to persevere when "hemmed with troubles." Our squad started the season with

11 members, five guys and six girls. By the end of the season, we had lost over half of our squad for various reasons, leaving us with only five members. This obviously had an overwhelming effect on the remaining members, changing the entire structure and capabilities as a squad.

The lack of school participation, leadership direction and overall motivation accompanied our previous difficulties. But what Satan intends for evil, God can use for good. Despite continued discouragement, God used this season to mold us as people of patience and perseverance in the midst of troubles. It stretched us as cheerleaders, sisters in Christ and children of God to focus on things other than ourselves, looking to our Father for strength. We will continue to shout our praise of the faithfulness of the Lord!

— all together —

Pulling out all of the stops, the team makes sure the crowd is pumped for the next play at the football game against Anderson.



Eric Davis

**Overall, it
was a good
season, but
we're hoping
for better
things next
year.**

**— Scott
Blackford**

**— playing
hardball —**

Junior Jeremy Roberts is about to release a hard and fast one on the opponent.



Mike Schueler

the stats

taylor 1	<i>marijan 3</i>
taylor 5	<i>marijan 10</i>
taylor 1	<i>indiana 2</i>
taylor 10	<i>rose hulman 3</i>
taylor 7	<i>rose hulman 3</i>
taylor 4	<i>greenville 5</i>
taylor 5	<i>greenville 3</i>
taylor 6	<i>greenville 12</i>
taylor 2	<i>flagler 10</i>
taylor 3	<i>bethune cookman 15</i>
taylor 2	<i>bethune cookman 8</i>
taylor 5	<i>greenville 6</i>
taylor 4	<i>greenville 3</i>
taylor 4	<i>greenville 3</i>
taylor 5	<i>ivu 6</i>
taylor 2	<i>ivu 11</i>
taylor 6	<i>goshen 4</i>
taylor 7	<i>goshen 2</i>

taylor 7	<i>ivu 9</i>
taylor 1	<i>ivu 1</i>
taylor 3	<i>st. francis 2</i>
taylor 5	<i>st. francis 4</i>
taylor 15	<i>bethel 4</i>
taylor 1	<i>bethel 11</i>
taylor 1	<i>marijan 3</i>
taylor 2	<i>marijan 4</i>
taylor 3	<i>grace 5</i>
taylor 8	<i>grace 9</i>
taylor 4	<i>anderson 6</i>
taylor 2	<i>goshen 1</i>
taylor 6	<i>goshen 2</i>
taylor 11	<i>huntington 7</i>
taylor 5	<i>huntington 10</i>

MCC Tournament

taylor 4	<i>ivu 3</i>
taylor 8	<i>st. francis 9</i>
taylor 8	<i>huntington 19</i>

final record: 20-23-1

**some scores not listed



Baseball

Noah Adair, Ben Asper, Scott Blackford, Cody Chaney, Joshua Cooper, Tony Dattilio, Derek Ganshorn, Kyle Gould, Ivar Isacsson, Phillip Jensen, Justin Johnson, Sam Jones, Andy Krause, Ryan Linenger, Chris Palmer, Jeremy Roberts, Dan Rocke, Erik Roe, Matthew Seversn, Matthew Tigert, Ike Welsh

Jim Garringer



— catching up —

Junior catcher Cody Chaney reaches for the ball, attempting to get the batter out.



heading home

Senior Ben Asper rounds the bases with confidence. Asper is from Urbandale, Iowa.

Mike Schueler

breaking EVEN

Striving to live up to the impressive record of last year, the Trojan baseball team managed to end up with a respectable season, despite keeping only two seniors.

Throughout this season, the team stayed consistent, not letting a loss here and there send it into a slump. Carrying momentum into the first round of the conference tournament, the Trojans pulled out a hard fought win in 13 innings against rival Indiana Wesleyan. The team finished 20-23-1 overall and 14-13-1 in the conference.

"I thought that this was sort of a tough season," junior Scott Blackford said. "But as the year progressed, our defense got a lot better, and we started to hit the ball better. Overall, it was a good season, but we're hoping for better things next year."

by John McConda

staying ALIVE

With the runaway success of the 1999 team, this year's Taylor Softball team had much to live up to this season. Losing only two starters from the 1999 Conference championship team, this year's squad had high hopes for another conference championship, but some close losses and a tough schedule made for a somewhat disappointing year.

"Things just didn't come together for us," said senior Meredith Wolfe. "The team as a whole got along well though, which was good because had we not, it would have been a long season."

The Lady Trojans started the season strong, going 5-3 through the first eight games. However, the team hit a ten game skid thereafter from which they never quite fully recovered.

In the MCC Conference tournament as Taylor jumped out to 4-0 lead against Indiana Wesleyan in the opening round but could not hold on, losing 7-4. The Lady Trojans were hit by another late-game rally in their final game against Goshen, losing 7-4 to end the 2000 season with an overall record of 13-21 and a conference record of 7-7.

by John McConda

the stats

taylor 6	malone 1
taylor 3	concordia 6
taylor 6	st. francis 3
taylor 8	trinity christian 3
taylor 1	st. joseph's 2
taylor 4	st. joseph's 5
taylor 8	huntington 6
taylor 8	huntington 0
taylor 0	olivet nazarene 12
taylor 2	olivet nazarene 5
taylor 0	rollins 8
taylor 4	rollins 13
taylor 0	tri-state 8
taylor 1	tri-state 4
taylor 1	iwu 2
taylor 6	iwu 7
taylor 0	st. francis 4
taylor 0	st. francis 8
taylor 5	grace 4
taylor 1	grace 3
taylor 1	bethel 10
taylor 3	bethel 2
taylor 4	st. mary's 6
taylor 3	st. mary's 5
taylor 1	marian 0
taylor 5	marian 3
taylor 2	goshen 5
taylor 5	goshen 1
taylor 18	rose hueman 0
taylor 8	rose hueman 0
taylor 3	ohio dominican 4
taylor 6	ohio dominican 3

MCC Tournament

taylor 4	indiana wesleyan 7
taylor 4	goshen 7

final record: 13-21

Jim Guringer



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season.
—Meredith
Wolfe

— concentration —

Senior Meredith Wolfe prepares to step up to the plate.

Jim Garringer



— Softball —

Back row: Mel Mannix, Loni Weber, Leah Rukes, Robin Lockridge, Meredith Wolfe Second row: Coach Joe Lund, Heidi Hoopingarner, Christy Ellis Front row: Erin Van Buren, Kate Oates, Ashley Lund, Stephanie Campbell, Deb Butler



— fastball —

Senior Robin Lockridge hurls another pitch toward home plate.

Jim Garringer

speed & **POWER**

This year's mens' track team was a dominant force, not only in the Mid Central Conference, but in the National Christian College Athletic Association, as well. The 2000 season saw several records broken and another conference championship go to the Trojans.

Senior Darren Youngstrom set two records at the Indiana Little State Meet in Indianapolis, blazing to a time of 52.05 seconds in the 400 meter hurdles and 14.04 in the 110 meter dash. "Our team loves to compete and see the point totals add up throughout the day," Youngstrom says. "Coach Coy and Coach Bowers keep us going throughout the meets and encourage us in their own ways."

For senior Sammy Siratei, this season was full of excitement. "I never thought I would run for a team that made the top three in the nation many times. I'm excited."

by John McConda

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— Sammy
Siratei

the stats

men	women
3rd	N/A
1st	7th
1st	6th
1st	3rd
1st	3rd

NAIA indoor nationals
Emery Classic
Indiana intercollegiate
MCC Championship
NCCAA Nationals

Eric Davis



breaking away

Sophomore Russ Boronow breaks from the pack and toward the finish line.

Eric Davis



the fast lane

Junior Eric Olson pulls up for a shot at the lead from the inside lane.

Rebecca DeGeyter fights to keep her lead against tough competition.



Eric Davis

staying in **STRIDE**

Not to be outdone by its male counterparts, the Taylor women's track team posted one of their best seasons to date. The team benefitted from experienced seniors like Kristina Ammerman and Caroline Stringfellow, and also by talented underclassmen like junior Tracy Hale and freshman Ursala Chase.

Intense training was the norm for this team, and their efforts paid off this season.

The Lady Trojans finished 3rd in at the NCCAA meet, their highest finish ever for this event and also finished 3rd at the MCC meet.

"Taylor track and field has been a truly significant part of my Taylor experience," Caroline Stringfellow said. "I have grown tremendously — both spiritually and in my running. I have made lifelong friends and shared many unforgettable memories."

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— Caroline Stringfellow

by John McConda

spotlight

stevimir ercegovac
men's track



olympic dream shot-put on the world stage

"I feel like I can't do anything with this," the broad-shouldered Croatian says as he looks down at his broken foot. It is just a few days before the track-and-field season begins, and Taylor's star athlete in the shot-put is coming to terms with his limits.

"I've never really been injured before in my career. Now I have this." He speaks in grammatically perfect English, his nationality showing only by a thick accent.

If Stevimir, or Steve as he is called by most at Taylor, can return to top form, the Trojan track team will again be the favorite for the shot-put event in the national meet. Even more pressing, though, is his other reason to heal. He is headed to Sydney, Australia, in July for the 2000 Olympic Games.

The upcoming Olympics are the culmination of a dream that began when Steve joined his first track-and-field club in high school. Steve eventually became good enough at the shot-put event to start looking for scholarships.

However, these were nearly impossible to find in his homeland. So he headed to Canada and eventually found a place at Taylor.

When Steve first heard about Taylor, he was skeptical. "I thought it was a Bible school," he

says, laughing. "somewhere you go to be a priest." Despite these apprehensions, Steve eventually contacted the track-and-field coach, Chris Coy.

"He just found us on the web," Coy says. "When he first told me how far he threw, I thought he had said nine meters, so I didn't think I would be able to get him on here. When I talked to him again though, I found out he had said *nineteen* meters. That's when I started getting excited."

During the summer of 1999, Steve was able to take his abilities one step further. At the world university championships in Seville, Spain, he threw the shot 65 1/2 feet. This was enough to beat the Olympic standard by 1 1/2 feet and to secure his spot in the Olympic Games.

When asked about his thoughts on the Games, Steve responds humbly. "I would like to be able to compete in the afternoon," he says. "They have a qualifying round for every event in the morning, and then in the afternoon, they televise the finals. I just want to be able to compete with the best in the afternoon."

Despite Steve's concern about his injuries, he is expected to be in top form in time for the Olympics, getting his chance to throw in the afternoon, as one of the best.

— by John McConda —



photos by Havilah Pauley

blood & sweat for a T-SHRT

— half court —
Sophomore Dave Schubert prepares to set up another play for his team.

It was great to be able to play on a basketball team one last time with some good guys.
—Shawn Miller



Havilah Pauley



huddle

Senior Matt Durbois leads the Foundation football team as the men plan their next play.

Havilah Pauley

— offense —
First Bergwall center, junior John Nussbaum, and team members, sophomore Adam Gee, senior Dave Kauffman and junior Isaac Micheals, take on the defense of a competing team.

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Our victories in the playoffs and our strength as a team built our unity as a wing.
—Steve Stahr



ready for the **BIG TIME**

This year's lacrosse club team had some major successes, while generally having a good time.

Finishing at 4-3 for the season, this fledgling sport gained even more credibility with a victory over Ball State. "It was great to beat a team from a much larger school," senior Greg Storrs said. "It gave us more confidence for the rest of the season."

On the heels of its big win over BSU, the team made the most of its momentum in a win over Wheaton College before losing to another large school, Northwestern.

To finish out the season, Taylor played Calvin. Losing its goalie, senior Scott Rustulka, mid-game, to an ACL injury, Taylor was defeated, 16-10.

by John McConda

— lacrosse —

Back row: John Fellowes, Mike O'Hara, Christopher Parker, Tim Gast, Jeff DeKruyter, Jonah Atteberry, Chris Hill, Craig Leffew, Eric Davis, Virgil Hughes, Tim Walter Front row: Eric Salsberry, Drew Moser, Noel Schutt, Brooks Odle, Brian Hill, Nick Runyon, Rob Reiter, Chris Anderson, Bryce Runyon, Robert Livingston, Scott Rustulka



facing off

Wearing his white Taylor jersey, Tim Walter faces off with a Northwestern opponent at the beginning of the game.

Scott Rice



on the ball

Freshman Brian Hill gets ready for another pass as the action comes his way.

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— Greg Storrs

competition & HORSEMANSHIP

The 2000 season for the Taylor equestrian club was marked by the riders' added devotion to the sport. "This was the most committed team I've seen in four years," senior Lori Nye said. "Our team took this season seriously, not like just another extracurricular activity."

Coach T.J. LeBlanc and his wife Beth also showed a strong commitment to the team, giving up their time to improve the riders' skills. Their efforts paid off, as Taylor sent four riders—Lori Nye, Amanda Schaffer, Lynn Sievert and Amy Simon—to the regional horse show.

Taylor hosted this show for the first time in seven years at JTL Stables in Marion. The team finished near the middle of the pack at sixth, but performed well individually.

"We had some bad luck with our picks," Nye said. "Our coach has to decide which rider's score will count for the team before the show starts. Even though we rode well individually, our best riders' scores didn't always count toward our team score."

Scoring aside, the team gained some new members, and the returning participants improved from last year, making for another memorable season.

by John McConda



mirror image

Junior Lynn Sievert guides her horse past the mirrors and toward the judges. Sievert was one of four team members to go to the regional show.

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extracurricular
activity.
—Lori Nye



Eric Davis



Eric Davis

— charging forth —

Senior Lori Nye prepares to ride in front of the judges as her horse, Noodles, smiles for the camera. Nye has been on the team since her freshman year.

Members of the
Taylor Jazz Band
play during the
Parents' Weekend
football game.

(photo by Eric Davis)



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spotlight

james kutnow

student body president



leadership on the ‘kutting’ edge

We often define him as the familiar face that represents us to the faculty and as the hands that keep the student body spinning. Actually, he is a punk from Philly, who likes G-love and has two sisters, Jen and Mandy. He attended senior prom with Taylor student Dana Wilson, and, during his years at Taylor, he spent a summer in Israel and a semester in China. But student body president James Matthew Kutnow III has managed to secure friends crossing class, age and gender boundaries throughout campus.

His good friend Phil Gallagher says, "Kutnow's just got a great heart." And closest to James' heart is a core group of guys that has come together over the past four years at Taylor, of which James is a part. From the nurturing environment of this group rose Taylor's student body president. Being supported by the prayers and love of these friends, among others, James has lead the students. As student body president, he is in charge of Taylor Student Organization, overseeing the 11 branches of the executive cabinet. He also attends and participates in various faculty meetings.

Alongside his responsibilities as president, James has been planning his summer wedding to '99 graduate Erin Johnson, a woman he describes as "beautiful and very devoted to God." Since his parents' move to become full-time missionaries in Italy this year, James has made the transition from pastor's kid to missionary's kid. On top of all that, he is searching for a teaching job to start after his graduation this May.

He has a philosophy about his job as president, summed up in three words: visibility, vulnerability and involvement. One of James' favorite parts of his job is the time that he spends talking to and being mentored by men such as Jay Kesler, Walt Campbell and Daryl Yost. He says, "I am learning a lot from their experience and wisdom." And that's what it seems to be all about—the wisdom and the example of those who have gone before us.

In the words of Phil Gallagher, James' accomplishments have been "brotherhood, friendship and vision." Throughout the years, James' dream has been to "shape Taylor as an output, and minister to the campus."

by Devon Trevarrow

admissions

helping preserve the Taylor Tradition



Jim Gunninger

Admissions Interns

Matt Guilford, Kelly Dickerson, Sarah Culp, Heather Rattray, Nathan Marquardt, Heidi Anderson



Jim Gunninger

Telecounselors

Derek Rust, Annette McDaniel, Kelly Beitzel, Regan Hunt, James Mikolajczyk, Erin Syswerda



Jim Gunninger

Visit Assistants

Amber Bourne, Carrie Hartzler, Lindsey Paulson



Jim Gunninger

Office Assistants

Alison Schweiss, Ariana Rosado, Kimberly Shumaker, Julie Huber

A day in the life of CREW member Kate Bowman...

- 7 a.m. - Wake up
- 8 a.m. - Class
- 10 a.m. - Chapel
- 11 a.m. - Give tour to about 40 people with partner
- 12 p.m. - Lunch
- 1 p.m. - Class
- 3 p.m. - Visitor arrives
- 3:30 p.m. - Talk to visitor
- 5 p.m. - Eat dinner with visitor
- 7 p.m. - Take visitor around campus or to Ivanhoe's
- 11 p.m. - Let visitor go to bed
- 11:30 p.m. - Start homework
- 2 a.m. - GO TO BED!

welcome to taylor

Tim Walter greets prospects as they start their campus visits.



Eric Davis



Eric Davis



what's there to do?

Rachel Martin (right) shares her insights with a prospective student during a CREW tour. The College Representatives to Encourage and Welcome must be prepared to answer strange questions, such as the date of construction for every building on campus.

Jim Garringer



CREW

Front Row: Stacey Fuller, Angela Gordon, Kate Bowman, Abbigayle Spoelman Second Row: Laura Burkett, Rachel Martin, Nell Larson, Courtney Taylor Back Row: Janelle Gomes, Chris Bierdeman, Eric Davis, Griffin Ott, Rachel Algorri Fourth Row: Geoff Taylor, Kirk Robinson, Tim Walter, Trent Miller

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CREW is a great opportunity to serve people outside of the Taylor community. And all the backward walking is good for your gluteus maximus.
—Kirk Robinson

playing games

(left) Prospective students play a game, in which you close your eyes and squeeze each others' hands. The visitors and CREW members play several get-to-know-you games during campus visitation days.

vocal ensembles

a note of praise

It's an incredible
experience
glorifying God
together.
—Jason Fletcher



Taylor Sounds

Front row: L. Ressler and M. Hansen. Second row: J. Poppen, L. Sweeney, G. Haaksma, J. Sandoz, J. Hensley, J. Rediger Third row: A. Draper, C. Bierdeman, D. Gruver, K. Gratz Fourth row: A. Swartzendruber, K. Ahrens, K. Catalano, J. Poppen Back Row: D. Rinn, M. McBride, J. Tripple

Jim Gunninger

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pillow talk

David Rinn, Ursala Chase, Kyle Romine, Jenna Delp, Julia Poppen, Katherine Stirdvant and Beth Kemp are crammed into the top of the sleeper bus on the way to New York City.

hoping for sun

Junior Jenny and sophomore Julia Poppen pass the time on the long bus ride by posing with their sunglasses on.





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Taylor Chorale

Front row: J. Rediger, J. Delp, J. Reaoch, C. Dulworth, J. Harris, U. Chase, D. Musk, K. Gratz, J. Bakker, B. Kemp, B. Varwig, B. Anders, M. Williams, T. Ernest, A. Mills, C. Swinburn, J. Sandoz, K. Stirdivant. Second row: A. Maffey, D. Gruver, L. Peterson, J. Secrest, K. Peifer, E. Diffin, J. Hensley, J. Fletcher, L. Tatone, D. Fridley, B. Byers, M. Hansen, J. Cook, B. Jeffrey, B. Swart, A. Swartzendruber. Third row: L. Harshenin, L. Sweeney, M. Guinn, S. Culp, J. Hillier, L. Slusher, C. Gaither, R. Miller, J. Poppen, L. Ressler, D. Schurch, J. Kolb, M. Shrock, R. Trego, N. Delong, S. Merzig. Back row: J. Platek, D. Aukerman, J. Pashey, M. McBride, S. Stiver, D. Rinn, J. Poppen, K. Ahrens, B. Maxwell, C. Hagar, R. Bray, J. Hoisington, R. Fountain, R. Hunt

fountain fun

Freshmen Sarah Stiver, Beth Kemp and Jenna Delp pose in front of a large fountain in New York City over Easter Break.

Many Taylor Chorale members ask themselves this question as the words roll off their lips, "How can I keep from singing?" This lyric, written by Robert Lowry, is only one of the songs that Chorale sang during its spring concert series to various local churches, in addition to an Easter break trip to New York City. Stopovers on the Easter trip included concerts in Pennsylvania and Ohio, with an excursion to see "Les Misérables" in New York.

In addition to spring concerts, Chorale performed for homecoming with alumni Chorale members. But the biggest highlights of the fall semester for Chorale was its performance of Handel's Messiah, which was accompanied by the Fort Wayne Philharmonic.

Reflecting on the musical group, senior Jason Fletcher says, "It's an incredible experience glorifying God together." And that is the group's purpose — to glorify God through vocal music.

by Seth Bartal

I love the opportunities
Chorale brings to
minister to all different
sorts of people,
whether it be Russia
next fall or small
churches — seeing
people enjoy it is what
makes it all worth it.
—Ali Maffey

instrumental ensembles

a string of tunes

special guest

Jae Senet joins the Jazz Band as a special guest during first semester. Senet also spoke and performed for Art as Experience classes while on campus.



Eric Davis



Jim Garringer



Symphonic Band

J. Bakker, N. Becker, J. Benteman, L. Bergens, D. Billups, J. Bryson, J. Cline, P. Coulter, G. Delich, N. Elwell, J. Gardner, A. Graves, J. Graves, D. Harbin, P. Heck, J. Inmordino, D. Ingerham, K. Jones, A. Keller, I. Koh, J. Kurtz, A. Mahan, B. Maxwell, J. McLaughlin, L. McPherson, R. Mejeur, S. Mellema, R. Mead, S. Nelson, J. O'Kane, L. Peterson, A. Pinegar, D. Pletcher, E. Ray, H. Reimer, S. Roberts, C. Rodeheaver, R. Rosencrance, A. Rush, A. Smith, B. Smith, G. Taylor, K. Vannoy, M. Walter, T. Woodrum, A. Zagorski



Eric Davis

playing like a pro

Junior Adam Witmer performs on the trombone. Witmer has been in the Jazz Band since his freshman year.



— tooting their own horns —

The trumpet section of the jazz band, made up of Brian Peters, Robert Cosgrove, Matt Walter, Geoff Taylor and Nate Becker, performs in the chapel.

Eric Davis



— going solo —

(left) Junior Kelly Jones executes a flawless performance during his solo. He is playing saxophone amongst Tara Woodrum, Kara Bottiggi and Nathan Kinnee.

photo provided



Jazz Band

Back row: B. Peters, R. Cosgrove, M. Walter, G. Taylor, N. Becker, Al Harrison
Third row: J. Heavey, J. Benteman, B. Gerig, S. Valiulis
Second row: A. Witmer, G. Delich, J. Harrison, A. Bierlein, J. Anderson
Front row: G. Johnson, J. Kurtz, D. Iula, D. Billups, T. Woodrum, K. Jones, K. Bottiggi, N. Kinnee

Eric Davis

taylor groups



Jim Gunninger

Taylor Ringers

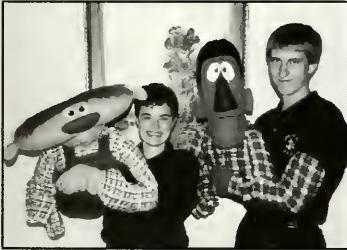
Front row: Amanda Patty, Holly Zann, Jennifer Hess, Melissa Mange, Martha Burris Second row: Anne Catron, Ben Merrill, Jill Oglive Back row: Rebecca Juncker, Kim Beesley, Joni Calderwood, Leigh Anne Dexheimer



Jim Gunninger

Bell Quintet

Angela Ottaviano, Emily Hill, Rebekah Greenhoe, Amber Rush, Andrew Sittie



Jim Gunninger

Right-Off-Hand

Allison Stevens, Chris Russell



Jim Gunninger

Spectrum

Front row: Courtney Peters, Michael Kaspar, Kristina Jergensen Back row: Leah McPheron, Jeremy Schea, Phil Stevens, Alena Van Arendonk.



Bryan Smith

-thinking aloud-

Kristina Jergensen shares a story out of her diary to an anxious audience waiting to find out about her experience with men.



Bryan Smith

master puppetry

TCA members look on as Right-Off-Hand performs a puppet show. Right-Off-Hand, like all TCA groups, does shows for children at Indiana churches on Sundays.

christian artists

minister through music, drama

Ryan Smith



puttin' on the moves

Freshman Phil Stevens attempts to put the moves on Courtney Peters during a Spectrum skit dealing with teenage sex. The group tours the area sharing a wide range of skits, including humorous and serious performances dealing with topics such as witnessing, salvation and abortion.

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**It has been a great way to
minister in drama — both
through humorous and
serious skits.**
—Chris Corwin

taylor christian

groups minister through music

Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you teach, in the way you live, in your love, your faith and your purity.

—1 Timothy 4:12

Bryan Smith



— chosen for jesus —

Brad Almond, Danara Schurch and Justin McLaughlin share their gift of singing to the Taylor student body during the annual TCA chapel on Feb. 23.



Bryan Smith

artists

drama



beyond measure

(above) Immeasurably More members Derek Fridley, Anisa Erb, Alyssa Lugbill, Betsy Swart and David Weber lead students in praise music during chapel.

"Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you teach, in the way you live, in your love, your faith and your purity." This verse from 1 Timothy 4:12 serves as the mission verse for Taylor Christian Artists.

Student-led and a division of Taylor World Outreach, TCA puts together ministry teams for outreach to youth groups, churches, nursing homes and other community arenas. Outreach teams include various forms of ministry, such as vocal ensembles, a group of puppeteers and a drama team.

Freshman Matt Thomason, from the singing group His Glory, stated that being in TCA "has been really fun, and I've enjoyed it a lot. It's a good way for us to minister to other churches and people and share what God has given us."

by Seth Bartal



Heart's Desire

Front row: Danara Schurch, Sarah Colley, Allison Granzow Back row: Alicia Lehman, Beth Ray, Lane Read, Michael Burcham



His Glory

Front row: Ali Maffey, Shenandoah DeRegibus, Kristina McDougal, Heather Baker Back row: Isaiah Koh, Matt Thomason, Matt Roeber, Brock Maxwell, Ethan Van Drunen



Immeasurably More

Front row: Dan Maher, Derek Fridley, David Weber, Jeremy Heavey Back row: Anisa Erb, Mandi Schrock, Alyssa Lugbill, Betsy Swart



Chosen

Front row: Joy Hammond, Brita Botbyl, Janelle Gomes, Cathy McClanahan Back row: Justin McLaughlin, Dan Matheson, Brad Almond, Andrew Crowe

Jim Gunninger

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taylor cable service

practical experience for the future

Flipping through the channels, you stop at Channel 7 and see familiar faces reporting Taylor news. At Airband you laugh at the "Real World" videos. In chapel, you see students behind video cameras, capturing the chapel speaker on video.

Who does all of this and why? TCS, Taylor Cable Service, does it because its members love producing television and videos.

"I can't not be involved," TCS station manager, Joylane Bartron, said.

"TCS is a great opportunity to learn about the television field and gain practical experience that will help me in the future," TCS member Justin McLaughlin said.

TCS is Taylor's campus TV station. Many students are involved in managing, producing, editing and reporting for the station. Bruce Johnson, a mass communications professor, has been the station's sponsor for two years.

This year TCS focused on its news program called Frontline News. This program features mostly Taylor news, but off-campus news is reported when it relates to students.

The station has been involved more than ever this year in campus video productions. It produced all of the "Real World" videos for Airband this fall. That project alone took over 150 hours of students' time. The station also produced videos for 90s Night, Nostalgia Night and Youth Conference. TCS also covers home football and basketball games, and it has shown a series of educational films.

Off-campus, TCS has had opportunities to produce videos, as well. The First Church of God East Central Indiana in Muncie asked TCS to produce a promotional video for its choir. TCS also created a video of the Upland Labor Day Parade, which was sold to community residents.

Taylor students often see cameras set up in chapel or at special events. Behind those cameras are TCS members who are involved, not because of the money or the recognition, but because they love it. Many students are involved because they want experience for their future careers. Students do not have to be mass communication majors to participate. All students are welcome to be a part of TCS, even if they have no previous experience.

According to Bartron, Channel 7 is designed to meet the needs of students while producing quality TV.

by Claire Balsbaugh



Mike Schueler

Echo

Back Row: Abby McLaughlin, Aaron Williamson, Luke Reimer, Noel Schutt. Front Row: Kate Tucker, Kate Bowman, Sarah Hinkle, Karen Penner



Mike Schueler

Ilium

Back Row: Kendra Beutler, Mike Schueler, Eric Davis. Front Row: John McConda, Kristy O'Neal, Jessica Barnes, Nikki Shultz



Mike Schueler

WTUR

Andrew Timbie, Cindy Kowles, Tim Walter, Mark Woodring



Mike Schueler

lights, camera, inaction

Before the news show, Frontline News, starts, Justin McLaughlin, Andrew Timbie, Ben Reed and Mike Poorman take a break. The entire news crew spends hours, prior to air time, filming and editing their stories.



commercial break

Between air times, freshman Justin McLaughlin, cameraman, and junior Andrew Timbie, co-host, break for a quick laugh. Although it is always tense for the control room workers, those in the studio can enjoy themselves when the camera is not on them.



backstage bosses

Sophomore Dan Gerhart runs the technical aspect of the show while senior Joylane Bartron executes its logistics. Bartron and Gerhart work primarily behind the scenes of Frontline News.

personnel assistants

a trip to remember

Legs turned to Jell-O as 63 PAs pedaled their bikes exhaustingly into the church outside of Mackinaw Island, Mich. The two-day trip from Upland to Mackinaw had been completed with a grueling 60-mile bike ride, a traditional rite of passage into a year of service as a PA. The ride, meant to uniquely bond the PAs together, did just that, according to Jackie Timm, Second West Olson PA.

"Going 60 miles on those bikes really brings you together," she says. "Accomplishing that challenge together and the encouragement you get from each other is so bonding. I met so many amazing people that I wouldn't have gotten to know if I'd have had to make the initiative myself."

The rewards far outweighed the costs for this trip. The tight bus that carted the leaders to Michigan turned into a place where the bonds of friendship were first woven. "We hardly knew each other, but we got to know each other because we were in such close quarters. We just talked and talked," Timm says.

After the long bike ride, the day that the PAs spent on the island was a treat worth the work. "It was so gorgeous," Timm says. "There was a seven-mile bike trail all around the island,

and there were rocks and beaches. It was a great time to regroup with your friends, too." In the evening, the students took time out to worship with each other and start the year off with some time with God.

The trip stressed the importance of teamwork and the support one can receive through simple encouragement from friends. "There is something about seeing another PA across campus that is so encouraging. It's hard to know what it's like to be a PA unless you are one, so seeing a familiar face is so nice," Timm says. And the Mackinaw bike trip is where those faces started to become familiar.

"The bike trip really brings people together," Timm says. "There are 63 PAs from all over campus who would never know each other if it weren't for this. It brings us together as a team and as a group, building the support system for going into the year. It helps us not be so fragmented."

As the bus chugged to a start for the return trek back to Upland, it was no longer full of strangers cramped together in a tiny little space. The vehicle was, instead, stuffed with 63 friends, ready to start the year refreshed and challenged.

by Sarah Hinkle

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Discipleship Coordinators

Nate Becker, Kim Beesley, Andrew Bierlein, Sarah Borgwardt, Hillary Boss, Deb Butler, Joan Calderwood, Matt Chapin, Ed Cyzewski, Christel Deal, Bethany DeRosa, Liz Escalamado, Lindy Fenlason, Chris Fennig, Jonathan Foster, Dale Gruver, Adam Hanna, Sarah Hayhurst, Jeremy Heavey, Barbie Henderson, Sandy Hubley, Ben Jeffrey, Sara Jones, Callie Kaphaem, Karin Knapp, Tim Knipp, Jon LePage, Tabitha Mainger, Elizabeth Maqsud, Michael McBride, Christine McClanathan, John McConda, Drew Moser, Joel Newton, Jill Oglane, Justin O'Rourke, John Paasonen, Efraim Pfeil, Terri Pickens, Greg Pulley, Tom Roberts, Josh Rugema, Erica Schneeweiss, Chris Seah, Heidi Sieling, Becca Speicher, Bethany Taylor, Sheryl Thrush, Michelle Toy, Chad VanHill, Alison Voorhees, Kim Weston, Martha Wood

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a quick break

Junior Steve Klipp, seniors Todd Stewart and Steve Morley and junior Dave Shubert rest briefly from their ride around Mackinaw Island.

Personnel Assistants

Blake Andrews, Bethany Baldwin, Eric Barnes, Ted Barnett, Laura Bayes, Justin Belgiano, Justin Berger, Eric Bitner, Megan Bohm, Alina Bond, Kara Bottiggi, Craig Childs, Jason Courier, Mandi Cullen, Andy Davis, Stuart Davis, Jeremy Dys, Laura Esclamado, John Fellowes, Adam Fennig, Carolyn Flick, April Gann, Linnea Goddard, Greg Hall, Emily Hartman, Heidi Hasbrouck, Michelle Hershberger, Jason Hillier, Melissa Holtje, Dan Jacobson, Andy Jacques, Phil Johnson, David Kauffman, Krista Kier, Steve Klipp, Anne Konkler, David Larson, Josh Maggard, Julie Mathiasen, Ja Niece McCraw, Jeff Miller, Laura Newton, Jacob Oehrig, Mike Pauli, Dave Perkins, Jennifer Platek, Kevin Platte, Kurt Reppart, Melissa Reesman, David Rinn, Karissa Romine, Laura Rosenwinkel, Dave Schubert, Sara Sector, Laura Sergi, Todd Stewart, Desi Stutzman, Jen Taylor, Jackie Timm, Lindsey Vander Woude, Susan Van Houten, Jeremy Waterfall



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annual - bike - trip

Senior Kevin Platte leads the way as several PAs pause for a picture during their two-day bike trip from Upland to Mackinaw Island. The yearly ride and PA orientation is a 60-mile long trek. Sixty-three PAs attended this year.

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smiles and shades

Laura Bayes, Linnea Goddard, Alina Bond and April Gann pose for a quick snapshot at Mackinaw Island.



PROBE Leaders

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PROBE Cabinet

Front row: Scott McDermid, Tom Chandler, Jane Bowser Back row: Rob Bley, Jennifer Campbell, Leandra Phillips, Natissa Kultan

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lighthouse

cross cultural ministry



Community Outreach

Back row: Bekah Doerksen, Lisha McKinley, David Voss
Front row: Amanda Brown, Betsy Marcotte



Habitat for Humanity

Back row: Aaron Konopka, Melanie Domsten, Drew Moser, Jerod Cornelius, Joel Michels, Jonah Attebury, Josh Goad
Front row: Sommer Sonnenberg, Joel Sonnenberg, Matt DiStasi, Karen Shrieve



Arizona Lighthouse

Back row: Jeff Miller, Tony Liquori, Tamara Leatherby, Jon Tabor, Andy Jacques, Jennifer Little
Second row: Kash Kaur, Taylor LaPlante, Devon Trevarrow, Deanna Grimstead, Emily Engelbert
Front row: Sheryl Thrush, Rebekah Stratton, Megan Shauck, Sarah Hunt



Mexico Lighthouse

Back row: Jeremy Diller, Jeb Rice, Dan Jacobson, Sarah Culp, Adam Hanna, Tricia Taylor
Second row: Beth Stahl, Desi Stutzman, Laura Burkett, Leandra Phillips
Front row: Leeanne Rousseau, Sharon Roberts, Martha Blackford

Lighthouse teams go out each January to gain cross-cultural understanding and experience, to promote interpersonal development, and to provide an outreach ministry to those around the world. This year only two teams went out because of the Y2K concern. The teams stayed on the North American continent as they traveled to Mexico and Arizona.

Taylor students were able to impact many lives through their street evangelism, their work projects, their vacation Bible school programs and simply their presence.

The Mexico team, led by Jeremy Diller and Tricia Taylor, traveled to Reynosa their first week and ministered in an orphanage. There they led vacation Bible school and spent time with the kids. The second week they went to Matamoros where they stayed at the Adventures In Missions (AIM) base. While there, they served the community by building a house and leading a vacation Bible school. The third week they stayed in Hidalgo and visited different villages there. No churches were allowed in the villages that were visited the third week, so the team's programs had a large impact on the people. They worked at two churches pouring concrete floors. Taylor students were able to show their compassion for the Mexican people in very real and practical ways.

A member of the Mexico team had an English Bible the whole trip, but had not given it away because she believed that God would lead her to give it to a specific person. The last night of the trip, a woman came to a team member, and asked, in Spanish, for an English Bible. It was obvious to the team that God was at work through this experience.

The team was able to show God's love to the people just by being there. Only a few on the team spoke Spanish well enough to communicate, but the team's presence made a big impact on the people, in spite of the language barrier.

The trip ministered to those in Mexico, as well as those who were part of the team. The team's eyes were opened to a variety of things on the trip, including how God works in people's lives and why the Mexican people need God in their lives.

by Claire Balsbaugh



a helping hand
(left) Junior Laura Burkett helps this little Mexican girl with her shirt. Burkett was one of 13 on the work team.



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— airplanes —

Junior Andy Jacques provides a little airplane entertainment for the kids in Arizona.



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— dulce —

(above) This sweet ("dulce") girl captured the hearts of the Mexico team.



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— lazy days —

Junior Laura Burkett rests on a bench with two girls from the Mexican site. The team spent a lot of time with children over January.

— need a ride? —
Andy Jacques, Tony Liquori, Sheryl Thrush, Jeff Miller and Emily Engelbert take time for a piggy back ride picture with the native Arizonians.

realife

black and white



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a sign of hope

(right) Two ReaLife girls from Marion stop to smile for the camera.

friends

(left) Andy Albertson smiles with a friend from ReaLife. Andy's friend lives in inner city Marion.

A college student stood with her fingers intertwined with a little girl from inner-city Marion. They were singing "Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world, red and yellow, black and white," when the little girl began shouting, "Black and white, black and white. Jesus loves black and white!" This little girl was introduced to Jesus' unconditional love through a group of Taylor students that volunteers time each week to minister to her and over 100 other inner-city children.

ReaLife is a ministry designed to help "build relationships with kids and, through that relationship, show God's love," ReaLife student director, Jamie Otten, said.

About 30 Taylor students take five hours out of their day on either Tuesday or Wednesday night each week to travel to Marion to participate in the program. The evening consists of worship songs, games, a Bible lesson, a snack and discussion. The Taylor students serve as small group leaders. They take turns teaching lessons and always lead a small group discussion.

About 70 percent of the kids are from unchurched families, and many of the children do not have a loving home. So ReaLife may be the only place where they receive love.

Small group leader Molly Turner said, "Seeds are being planted. I have to realize that I'm there to love them." This year there have been approximately eight children saved, but many more have been introduced to Jesus' love.

Cheryl Olson, a ReaLife small group leader, said that ReaLife is a ministry because it gives Taylor students the chance to reach out to kids by spending time with them and modeling God's love through their actions.

ReaLife sponsors activities for the kids other than the weekly meetings. This year they had a pool party and a pizza party. The annual Taylor Christmas Gift drive is sponsored by ReaLife. This is an opportunity for Taylor students to give something tangible to children in need.

Jamie Otten said of ReaLife, "I love it, and I've been blessed for the time I've given."

by Claire Balsbaugh



big smiles

Junior Molly Williams and freshman Molly Turner pose with several ReaLife friends. The girls are holding books entitled "Bright Beginnings" that they are studying as a group.



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ReaLife

Andy Albertson, David Allison, Noel Balasingham, Micah Barcalow, Kim Barve, Jennifer Bergens, Lucinda Bergens, Mark Bettenhausen, Angela Bottum, Kathy Cahill, Shenan Daregbus, Elizabeth Davies, Holly Davis, Aaron Debbink, Ed Diffin, Erin Diffin, Nate Elwell, Whitney Fry, Janessa Futrell, Sara Gross, Carrie Hagar, Emily Hill, Deanna Ingerham, Heidi Jones, Twila Jones, Robert Junna, Jessica Kelly, Dave Kletzing, Jesse Kroeze, Josh Kuntz, Jill Laughlin, April Lerch, Craig Lewis, Karen McCabe, Ben Miller, Jason Nieuwsma, Sarah Nurmi, Matt Oquist, Jamie Otten, Courtney Peters, Elizabeth Ray, Jon Reaoch, Megan Ritter, Samantha Schley, Kim Smith, Lucas Steevers, Christine Steinbacher, Katie Taylor, Andrew Timbie, Molly Turner, Natalie Whattoff, Kristen White, Andrew Wolgemuth, Lynn Zobrist

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TWO

Back row: Lisa Beneke, Mary Rayburn, Martha Wood, Jen Berry, Rusty Bray, Jennie Poppen, Karen Shrieve, Lora Erickson, Matt DiStasi, Mark Mohrlang, Justin O'Rourke Front row: Josh Duncan, David Voss, Missy Robinson, Megan Garmers, Phil Gallagher, Steve Austin



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Aaron Beadner, Katie Bennett, Natalie Bernhardt, Abram Bicksler, Marthat Biems, Megan Bohm, Amber Bourne, Cindy Broberg, Bob Bryant, Erika Cook, Taniesha Eldridge, Sara Erickson, Amy Frederick, Sara Freeman, Wes Gaines, Gary Gogis, Amanda Gunderson, Amy Hauschildt, Kristin Hines, Steve Horn, Beth Hunt, Dan Jacobson, Amy King, Gretchen Krumm, Amanda Miller, Erin Miller, Cindy Norman, Kristy O'Neal, Amanda Patti, Lindsey Paulson, Josh Peters, Erin Pickett, Kevin Platte, Kristy Reed, Cindy Robinson, Sam Schley, Amy Schultz, Heidi Seymour, Megan Shauck, Heidi Sieling, Sarah Stearns, Sara Stoller, Tonya Strubhar, Krista Vanney, Pete Von Tobel, Laura Wilder



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WOW Cabinet

Back row: Mike Magnussen, Paul Biles, Mark Mohrlang, Eric Davis, Michael Wilhoit, Grant Dess Second row: Sarah Stearns, Michelle Gettman, Heather VanMeter, Bethany Hodge, Renee Butterfield, Minde Young, Amber Bourne Front row: Rachel Lesser, Heather Coaster, Jamie Otten, Lora Erickson, Ruth Seward



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— Worship Planning Assistants —

Cindy Norman, Andrew Draper, Richard Allen
Farmer, Chad Wilt



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— Worship Team —

Back row: Mark Mohrlang, Chad Wilt Second row :
Andrew Draper Front row: Cindy Norman, Missy
Chambless, Stuart Davis



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— Student Ambassadors —

Front row: Amanda Schaffer, Jana Hunt, Mercy
Kumar, Kate Johnson Second row : Jen Miller, Emily
Vander Wilt, Amanda Miller, Katie Taylor, April
Rediger Back row: Chris Hill, B.J. Dupuy, Joel Gates



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— CPAs —

Front row: Anwar Smith, Cathy Sopcisak, LaTonya
Taylor, Andres Cabezas Second row : Melissa Miller,
Trina Helderman, Emily Moulton Third row: Kara
Gordan, Kate Chandler, Laura Wilder, Stephanie
Bugno Back row: Dusty Schaffner, Larry Mealy



Eric Davis



campus ministries

leading corporate worship

praise

(left) Mark Mohrlang, Mike Magnussen, Jonathan Reaoch and Missy Chambliss fulfill their roles as a part of the worship team.

leadership

(below) Senior Andrew Draper leads a song from the piano. Such has been a common sight for students for two years now.



Eric Davis

Eric Davis



sincerity

Senior Missy Chambliss sings with the congregation during a chapel service. Chambliss, though away from campus first semester, was a worship planning assistant.



— relaxing —

(left) Seniors Matt Barcalow, Ariana Rosado and Jessica Barnes spend some time cooling off on the porch.

— playing —

(below) Senior Jeff Huitsing sits on Brent Ellis' shoulders while attempting to retrieve a frisbee from a neighbor's roof, and senior Jerod Cornelius spots.

It united us as a real team. We could relate better and come together in pursuit of the same goals.

—Jaillene Erickson

Jim Garringer



Executive Cabinet

Front row: Steve Klipp, Ariana Rosado, James Kutnow, Jessica Barnes, Rob Gausmann Back row: Jeff Huitsing, Lindsay Marcy, Matt Barcalow, Stephanie White, Jerod Cornelius, Jaillene Erickson



executive cabinet

sun, skis and servant leadership

What do prayer, cook-outs, mission statements and water skis have in common? For the members of Taylor Student Organization's Executive Cabinet, these seemingly random words represent four integral components of their fall retreat.

On Aug. 27, the cabinet headed north to Kendallville, Ind., for a weekend of planning and playing at the lake cottage of executive assistant Stephanie White's grandmother. While there, the cabinet spent much of its time in planning sessions, formulating a mission statement and identifying the organization's goals for the 1999-2000 school year.

It was these meetings that really "set the year off to a good start," according to James Kutnow, student body president. "We were able to determine our objectives for the year and review our individual responsibilities and duties," he asserts.

But the weekend wasn't strictly task-

oriented. Equally important was the bond created among the cabinet members around the grill and on the waters of Witmer Lake.

White believes the weekend was especially important because it gave the cabinet "a chance to hang out and have fun. ... We were able to establish the friendships that have continued throughout the year."

Whether it was by praying for the student body or helping student union coordinator Jeff Huitsing search for the wave runner keys he dropped in the lake, the weekend retreat facilitated a sense of unity among the group. And this unity continued through the entire course of the year. Jaillene Erickson, vice president of leadership services, agrees that the retreat set the pace for the year. She believes, "It united us as a real team. We could relate better and come together in pursuit of the same goals."

by Kimberly Shumaker

Stephanie White



Stephanie White



paradise

Junior Steve Klipp stands in the breeze by the boat dock. The weekend included plenty of water fun.



Homecoming Cabinet

Back row: Monique Fisher, Mindelynn Young, Julie Cooper, Katie Bennett, Erin Pickett, Heidi Feenstra, Ryan Lambert, Joel Gates, Angie Reed, Michelle Scott, Jana Blazek Third row: Sherry Hawkins, Amy King, Amanda Cullen, Lindsey VanderWoude, Sam Schley, Kristy Reed Second Row: Holly Weber, Stacey Fuller, Nicole Boss, Karin Durttsche, Kara Gratz, Kimberly Baker, Lindsay Keyes, Drew Valpatic, Erin Hasler, Laura Wilder, Emily Moulton Front row: Candace Kemp, Joanie Calderwood, Angie Swartzendruber, Kate Waterman, Carol Hobbs, Brittany Lewis, Amanda Miller, Jen Berry

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ICC

Jerod Cornelius, Matt Brandenberger, Jen Matthews, Jonah Attebery, Heather Roberts, Sommer Sonnenberg, Bethany Lasater, Heidi Feenstra, Ashley Armbruster, Brian Moriarty, Joel Sonnenberg, Joel Michels, John Fellowes, Lindsey Paulson

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Leadership Services

Back row: J-lee Gast, Greg Yatooma, Justin Kish, Jeff Nicoson Second row: Joni Calderwood, Josh Brown, Kate Johnson, Jill Mueller, Janelle Millington Front row: John Paasonen, Kimberly Shumaker, Christy Freed, Jaillene Erickson, Jana Hunt, Stephanie Hinkle

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leader

(below) Senate Chairman Steve Klipp leads a Senate meeting in the Stuart Room as student body president James Kutnow listens intently. The group met to finish out the year's legislations.



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Senate

Front row: Julie Serner, Heather Chase, Erin Miller, Lindsay Thomas Second row: Kristin Bryant, Stephanie VandenBerg, Ginnie Wiseheart, Keva Taylor Third row: Steve Klipp, Torrey Barger, Chris Taylor, Jeff Steiner, Tim Hardin, Greg Yatooma Back row: Greg Mathews, Lisha McKinley, Chris Corwin, Chris Mitchell

Mike Schueler



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Press Services

Chris Bierdeman, Jessica Barnes, Amanda Gunderson, Melissa Miller



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Student Services

Back row: Jamie Jorg, Marissa Kostelny, Emily Tipton, Lindsay Marcy Front row: Justin Michels, Jeff Nicoson

Mike Schueler



— discussion —

(right) Senate secretary Torrey Barger discusses a meeting issue with next year's Senate chairman Tim Hardin.

senate

working for the students

Coinless laundry. Fall break. No classes on Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Some of the nice perks of being part of the Taylor community. If you enjoy any of these, thank your nearest Taylor senator.

"We're trying to be more public this year," says senior Taylor Senate chairman Steve Klipp, "In previous years, Senate has typically done the outside dirty work."

But not this year. Klipp says that his group of 17 senators is trying to be more available and open about what it is doing this year.

Senate is composed of one representative per 100 residents. Students run for office in the spring, with each resident hall voting for his or her choice of senators. The group then meets every week the following year and forms various committees to oversee special projects and proposals for Taylor's campus and student body.

Once an issue is proposed, the group researches it and attempts to gain faculty and staff support. If it is passed, student body president James Kutnow is the first to review it and may either veto or pass it. President Jay Kesler is ultimately the last in line to approve it.

Senate secretary and senior Torrey Barger says they had a great group of senators working hard this year. "If you want anything done, go to your senators!" she remarks.

Sophomore Lindsay Thomas says her time on Senate was a rewarding experience. She says, "It's a great way to meet people and work with TSO ... I want to be involved."

by Julie Huber

Mike Schueler



circle up

(left) The members of this and next year's Senate gather in the Stuart Room for the final meeting of the 1999-2000 Senate year.

pizza for everyone

(above) Senators help themselves to T.O.P.P.I.T. pizza at their end-of-the year meeting/party.



———— **hmmmm...** ——

(above) Junior LaTonya Taylor thinks about what she is writing and the best way to portray it.

———— **hard at work** ——

(right) Taylor works on the final issue of "The Link Between" in the Etc. Taylor served not only as the editor this year, but also the staff.



the link between

... and the woman behind it

Junior LaTonya Taylor has played a major role in the publication "The Link Between" since her freshman year. And she does not plan to stop now.

"The Link Between" is a division of the multi-cultural cabinet. It is published once a semester, though Taylor anticipates making it more frequent next year. About the purpose of the publication, Taylor says, "What it comes down to is the importance of shared stories. A lot of times, rather than focusing on specific issues, we just have people share actual stories about their lives. These shared stories are essential. That's my philosophy."

Taylor first became involved in "The Link Between" her freshman year, when she was the assistant editor. She says, "I got the job because of my interest in writing and my interest in addressing important issues through the written word."

Last year and this year, Taylor has served as editor. And she also serves as her own staff. So, she writes and performs the lay-out for the newsletter in the Education Technology Center. But people are welcome and encouraged to submit their ideas. Taylor, who will probably return as editor next year, says, "Actually, we did have some people contribute restaurant reviews and some personal essays." She pauses and squints a bit. "They were very insightful," she says, nodding.

Taylor's favorite part of the job is working with others. She says, "The best part is working with people and helping them share their thoughts about what is important to them." Thinking of the worst part of the job, though, was not as easy.

"The Link Between" is distributed in the residence halls, dining commons and student union.

by Kendra Beutler

Eric Davis

A lot of times, rather than focusing on specific issues, we just have people share actual stories about their lives. These shared stories are essential.

—LaTonya Taylor



Multi Cultural Council

Back row: Lisha McKinley, LaTonya Taylor, Krista Walkes
Front row: Virginia Spencer, Ariana Rosado



SCRAM

Amy Blackburn, Phil Boltz, Bekah Doerksen, Aurelia Fisher, Ruth Hummel, Chuck and Shirley Moore, Megan Ritter, Melissa Robertson, Sarah Severns



MuKappa

Back row: Carrie Lenz, Sarah Eskew, Tara Woodrum, Tony Liquori, Jeff Ramsdale, Ginger Charles, Joel Bruerd, Cathy McClenahan, Paul Wagner, Matt Zeeb, Andy Wolfe, Sarah Mosey, Third row: Liz Cardy, Rebekah Burtress, Heather Powell, Lishawna Taylor, Pam Crane, Julie Charles, Steve Elwood, Sara Stuart, Andrew Griffis, Bethany Taylor, Martha Frank, Dave Frank Second row: Travis Gaulden, Jon Rupp, Noel Powell, Jen-Hao Chen, Chuck Moore, Shirley Moore, Nelda Kazazi, Rhys Daily, Efrain Pfeil, Andrew Broucek, Sara Coggins, Sarah Potter, Chris Hower Front row: Scott Rustulka, Andrew Crowe, Andres Cabezas, Julie Sterner, Carson Newman

pre-med majors

realization of a dream

For many pre-med majors, getting accepted to medical school after college graduation is the fulfillment of a lifelong dream. Below, senior Amber Bourne tells how this has been true in her case.

Ever since I was in third grade, I've wanted to be a doctor. You know how you ask little kids what they want to be when they grow up, and get the typical "fireman, airplane pilot, detective, doctor" response? Well, mine went from being "cute" to being reality! It just stuck—a desire that God planted so young and continued to nurture throughout high school and the stereotypical change-your-major-every-other-week college years. I had an immediate love for science and helping people and fixing things. The MCAT presented my first major challenge to a lifelong dream. I couldn't have done as well as I did without the

continual encouragement and prayer support of my family, friends and professors.

I know that God was with me, and he is faithful to complete the work that He's called us to if only we supply Him with a willing heart. My favorite verse has always been Proverbs 3:5,6, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."

After taking the MCAT spring of my junior year, I applied for early admission at Indiana University over the summer. My interview was with two physicians on the admissions committee who would present my application before the board, and it could not have been more comfortable or encouraging. God truly blessed it. I received my letter of acceptance on Oct. 1, 1999. I still

remember opening it at the post office and the hugs and cheers from friends who had shared in each step of the process through their love and prayers. It was a truly joyous occasion!

I will begin classes at the Bloomington campus in August of 2000: gross anatomy, physiology, biochemistry, histology, microbiology and doctor/patient relationship. God has continued his faithfulness in providing a roommate, an apartment and even the added blessing of Christian friends. I know that many more challenges lay in store, but continue to place my trust in Him who has guided each step up to this point. I'm so very thankful for my Taylor education and the people of this community who have been such an integral part of God's plan in shaping my life and helping me to realize the dreams He has for me.



Eric Davis

TABS

Back row: Shaun Peters, Eric Olson Second row: Cathie Anderson, Kristopher Johnson Front row: Alexandra Gatis, Kara Gordon



Eric Davis

- Fellowship of Christian Athletes -

Amanda Brown, Lucas Cherry, Jason Cussen, Carrie Fields, Carol Hahnstadt, Erin Hutton, Alison Mathews, Betsy McWhorter, Andy Meneely, Julie Nor, Jen Peak, Karin Staffin, Rudy Vugteveen





elmer
NUSSBAUM

The MCAT presented me with my first major challenge to a lifelong dream.

—Amber Bourne

A former Taylor professor, Elmer Nussbaum was known internationally as a physicist. He lived most of his life in Indiana, but his achievements extended beyond state lines. In 1963, Nussbaum began working with the International Atomic Energy Agency. Additionally, he was the senior scientist and consultant with the Oak Ridge Associated Universities, working on confidential projects.

and applied his research and grant writing knowledge to develop Taylor's science department and its reputation. Nussbaum served as physics professor and department chair for 37 years. In 1965, Taylor broke ground for its current science center, which bears Nussbaum's name.

A recipient of the Legion of Honor, the highest honor bestowed by the Taylor University Alumni Association, Nussbaum was also elected as a Fellow of the Indiana Academy of Sciences in 1985. In 1988, Nussbaum retired from his long-standing Taylor career. Prior to his April 3, 2000 death, resulting from a stroke, Nussbaum suffered from Parkinson's disease for several years. As his wife preceded him in death, Nussbaum was survived by his four children and his grandchildren. However, his legacy will live on through more than them, as the building bearing his name will continue to house the second home of Taylor science majors.

a great
cloud
of witnesses

Nussbaum wrote numerous articles that were published in scholarly journals



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Pre-Med Club

Back row: Tim Burkholder, Dawn Kinzer, Jeff Regier, Christine Whitney, Michael Kinzer, Joel Wilson, Rob Gausmann, Erin Pickett, James Juarez, Aaron Young, Heidi Feenstra, Amber Bourne, Andy Jacques Front row: Rachel Lesser, Nathan Roth, Allison McCormick

cook-out

Several pre-med majors eat dinner on the lawn of the Kinzer's home, which is located across from the tennis courts. Those pictured, clockwise, are Jeff Larson, Aaron Young, Rachel Lesser, Allison McCormick, James Juarez, Erin Pickett, Jeff Regier, Joel Wilson, Amy Hauschmidt and Jill Terry. Amy Blackburn sits in the center of the group.

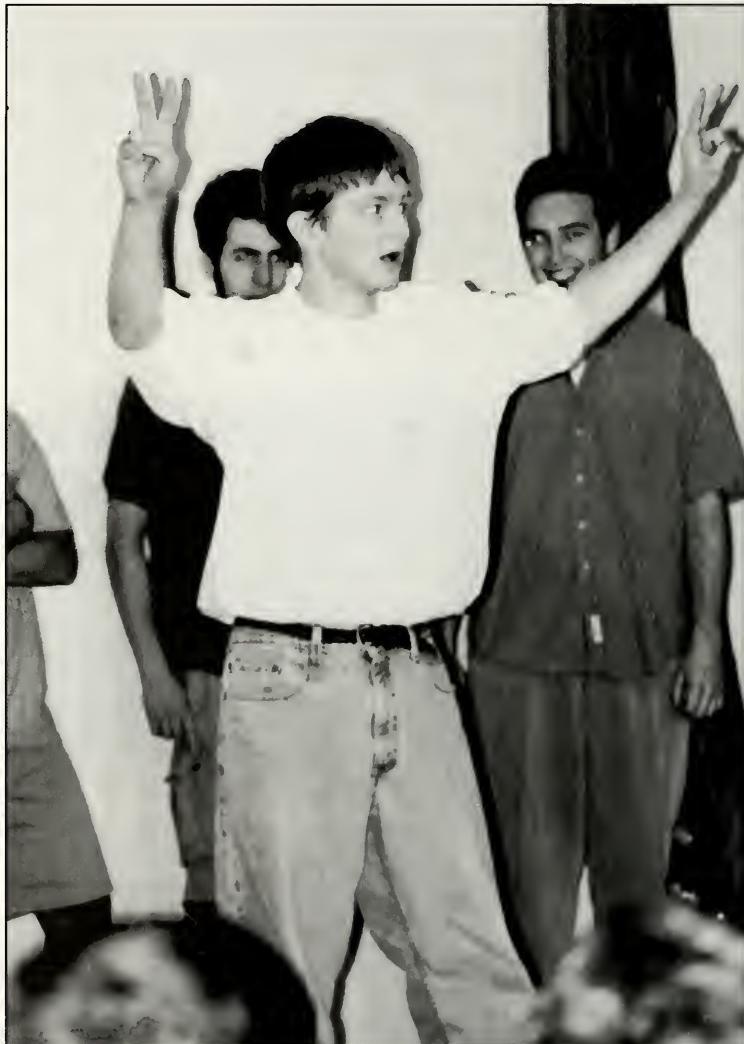
rice pilaf players

doing anything for a laugh



Rice Pilaf Players

Rob Bley, Tim Constable, Ben Dean, Ryan Lambert, Josh Olson, Brian Peters, Katie Taylor, R.J. Walther



crooked

Senior R.J. Walther does an "I am not a crook" impression. Walther joined the group this year.

-about to burst-

Rob Bley is about to laugh at himself during this improvisation. Even co-player R.J. Walther looks a little confused.



Eric Davis



Eric Davis

monkeying around

Senior Ryan Lambert looks as if he's imitating a monkey rather than someone carrying something.



Social Work Club

Kimberly Beesley, Kirsten Brown, Allison Burnfield, Amanda Cullen, Andrew Davis, Jenny DeWit, Erica Giebler, Kathryn Hann, Christina Hart, Twyla Lee, Mindy Mannix, Heather Reimer, Karissa Romine, Sheila Sanjaime, Heidi Sieling, Paul Susan, Rebecca Trego, Jessica VanWingerden

Eric Davis



Parnassus

Renee Aukenman, Erin Braham, Damiel Chiu, Rick Hill, Amanda Knight, Rachel Martin, John McConda, Brienne Van Conant



**"I have a twinkle in one eye
and a tear in the other."**

—Jay Kesler

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John McConda
Sports Section Editor

John is being his usual unaffected self. He worked patiently with this group of females all year long.

Kendra Beutler
Co-Editor

Kendra is releasing frustrations by scanning Jessica's head. The editor extraordinaire spent hours scanning photos, among other chores.

Mike Schueler



Ilium

Mike Schueler

Front row: John McConda, Kristy O'Neal, Jessica Barnes, Nikki Schulz. Back row: Kendra Beutler, Mike Schueler, Eric Davis

Nikki Schulz
Emergency Relief Assistant

Nikki is calling and setting up three photo shoots at once. She joined the staff second semester and set up innumerable group shots.



Mike Schueler



**Eric Davis
Photography Editor**

Eric is sleeping through another photo shoot. He quickly became known as the staff narcoleptic.

Mike Schueler



**Kristy O'Neal
People Section Editor**

Kristy is being consumed by the headshots. She spent hours correcting errors on these pages.

Eric Davis



**Michael Schueler
Emergency Relief Editor**

Mike is writing a story, taking a photo, laying out a spread and editing, too. He joined the staff second semester, assisting in all areas of need.



**Jessica Barnes
Co-Editor**

Jessica is ripping yet another spread to shreds. She is notorious for turning pages sopping wet with ink.

Mike Schueler

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